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SHAUKIWAN MURDER TRIAL.

OPENS AT MAGISTRACY THIS MORNING.

STORY OF CRIME AND ARREST RECONSTRUCTED.

TELL-TALE BLOOD STAINS.

The trial of the two Chinese who stand charged with the murder of Mrs. Mackay, of Taikeo, who was attacked, robbed and fatally injured while she was walking back to Shaukwan from the Island in Chaiwan Bay, opened at the Central Magistracy this morning, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the First Magistrate.

The case for the Crown is being conducted by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, who, in the course of his opening address, related the story of the crime and how the police, as the result of investigations, arrested the two men the day after the murder had been committed.

The significant points in the case for the Crown are that the men had blood-stained clothing when arrested, had also some blood-stained money, and, most significant of all, one of them had half a cut forged \$1 note which was known to have been in Mrs. Mackay's possession.

SMART WORK BY THE POLICE.

The full story of the tragic death of Mrs. Rose Mackay at the hands of two armed highway robbers was related by the Assistant Crown Solicitor (Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith) at the Central Magistracy this morning, when the case against the two men, Kam Shun, 25, and Cheng Tsang, 31, was charged with the murder of the deceased lady. The hearing took place before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the accused being unrepresented.

In opening the case for the Crown, Mr. Whyte-Smith said, in part: "The deceased lady, Mrs. Mackay, was the wife of Mr. Charles Mackay, a timekeeper at the Kowloon Docks. They lived at 'Blackhead' House, just close to the Dockyard. There was staying with them on a short holiday visit, the nephew of Mrs. Mackay, a boy Walter Eckert, a boy of 14 years of age, who came from Shanghai."

On the 6th August in the afternoon, Mrs. Mackay and Walter Eckert went to pay a visit to Mrs. and Miss Barker on an island in Chaiwan Bay. They had ten there and had a bath and started home on the return journey, leaving the island at about 7.15 p.m.

Walter Eckert was carrying a basket with the bathing things, and Mrs. Mackay was carrying a ladies' handbag which probably contained her money, and there is reason to believe that the bag even contained a great deal of money. There will be evidence to show that on that day Mrs. Mackay took her money out with her because there were workmen in the house. It was evidently Mrs. Mackay's habit to visit Barker Island once or twice a week. They started, as I said, on the return journey at about 7.15 p.m. They took the road which leads from the island and which joins up with the main road, leading uphill all the way. After they had walked for about a quarter of an hour they came to a point about 400 yards from the junction with the motor road, where there are some steps. When Mrs. Mackay and Walter Eckert were approaching some steps they saw two men coming towards them, one of whom was taller than the other.

The Men Return. Mrs. Mackay and Walter continued on their way and after they had passed the men and gone for about 75 yards or so they heard steps coming up from behind. Walter turned round and saw these two men coming back after them. The place where they had now got to was about 75 yards further on. It was just near a stone bridge or culvert. When they were actually crossing over the bridge the two men came suddenly after them, and separated them. Walter will say that the taller of the two men pushed him with both hands into the nullah to the right of the bridge. It is quite a deep nullah with a great deal of undergrowth and bushes. It was six or seven feet deep, and anybody who was pushed into it would not have a good chance of seeing over the rim. It

was actually into the bushes that Walter was pushed. As I said, he could not very well see what was going on, but he could say that the smaller of the two men was attacking his aunt. His Police Court this morning, when the case against the two men, Kam Shun, 25, and Cheng Tsang, 31, was charged with the murder of the deceased lady. The hearing took place before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the accused being unrepresented. In opening the case for the Crown, Mr. Whyte-Smith said, in part: "The deceased lady, Mrs. Mackay, was the wife of Mr. Charles Mackay, a timekeeper at the Kowloon Docks. They lived at 'Blackhead' House, just close to the Dockyard. There was staying with them on a short holiday visit, the nephew of Mrs. Mackay, a boy Walter Eckert, a boy of 14 years of age, who came from Shanghai." On the 6th August in the afternoon, Mrs. Mackay and Walter Eckert went to pay a visit to Mrs. and Miss Barker on an island in Chaiwan Bay. They had ten there and had a bath and started home on the return journey, leaving the island at about 7.15 p.m.

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FLIGHT COMEDY.

MILLIONAIRE SEIZES AEROPLANE.

A PARIS-LONDON DASH.

London, Aug. 29. Mr. Charles Levine, the American millionaire who flew the Atlantic with the airman Clarence Chamberlin, on July 8, and who since his arrival in Europe has been the subject of a very lively controversy over the question of what pilot should accompany him back to America, dropped a metaphorical bomb in French aviation circles by unexpectedly taking his own aeroplane, the "Miss Columbia"—which for the past few weeks had been kept in a shed at Le Bourget aerodrome, at Paris, being unable to leave chiefly owing to differences of opinion between Levine and the French pilot Drouhin, in whose favour Levine had signed a contract engaging him as a pilot for a year at a salary of 100,000 francs. Levine to-day visited Le Bourget, ostensibly to test the engine. He suddenly rose and headed northwards. Drouhin immediately leapt into another aeroplane and started in pursuit; but Levine eventually landed at Croydon.

Narrow Escape from Death. Professional pilots at Croydon aerodrome held their breath and gasped at the astonishing performance of the "Miss Columbia," which arrived in the afternoon. Levine, after making several circuits of the aerodrome, missed sudden death by inches when he nearly collided with the observation tower. He once hit the ground, but rose again, and eventually landed safely. He was as cool as a cucumber, and explained that it was not his first solo flight, but his longest. Levine, interviewed in London, said he was anxious again to fly the Atlantic, and was tired of waiting, so had decided to take matters into his own hands. He might pilot himself across.

A Paris message states that Levine is most indignant at Drouhin's departure, and says that he will investigate the possibilities of seizing the "Miss Columbia" in London.—*Reuter.*

The Advantage of English.

Later. Interviewed by the Press Association, Levine declared that he had run away from no-one. Drouhin would receive every penny due under the contract, but Levine thought it was a mistake to fly the Atlantic with a man speaking no English.—*Reuter.*

Levine-Drouhin Contract.

Paris, Aug. 7. The Chamberlin-Levine trans-Atlantic flight is having a comic sequel. The former already has returned to America, but Mr. Levine, after having engaged a French pilot named Drouhin to take him back to New York in the "Miss Columbia," wishes to appoint another pilot. Drouhin objects, and has taken possession of the aeroplane and refused to allow the spare engine to be removed. Mr. Levine went to Le Bourget yesterday and encountered Drouhin who, after a breezy scene, got a lawyer to procure the padlocking of the doors of the shed in which the "Miss Columbia" is lodged, pending a settlement of the dispute.

London, Aug. 8. The Paris *Intransigeant* states that a definite contract was signed by Levine under which Drouhin was to act as Levine's pilot for one year, from July 7th, at a salary of 100,000 francs. Levine also undertook to pay Madame Drouhin 300,000 francs in the event of Drouhin's death during the proposed trans-Atlantic flight.

The contract also specified that Drouhin was to receive 50 per cent. of any profits from the successful exploitation of the flight, on which Drouhin was to be ready to start at any moment.

A BIG ARGENTINE LOAN.

UNDERWRITTEN IN NEW YORK.

New York, Aug. 29. The Chase Securities Corporation and the Blair Company are offering, on August 30, G.\$40,000,000 of Argentine Loan, at 6 per cent., at a price of 99½, the proceeds to be applied to refunding the debt on the Argentine State Railways.—*Reuter's American Service.*

ANOTHER LONG "HOP" ATTEMPTED.

UNSUCCESSFUL EFFORT BY CANADIANS.

STORM CAUSES RETURN.

London, Ont., Aug. 29. The aeroplane "Sir John Carling" piloted by Captain Tully and Lieutenant Medcalf, started at six o'clock this morning in an attempt to fly across the Atlantic to London.

Later. The Canadian airmen, Messrs. Tully and Medcalf, flying a Stinson monoplane, for a prize of a quarter of a million dollars offered by Mr. Charles Burns, have both resigned from the Ontario forest patrol service in order to undertake the flight.

The flight was initiated by a Canadian Brewery firm. Tully was wounded in the Dardanelles and holds an Air Force Cross. Medcalf served in the British navy for seven years and has flown the Atlantic, the Mediterranean and the Red Sea.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Attempt Abandoned.

New York, Aug. 29. The monoplane "Sir John Carling" encountered a storm south of Oakville, and has returned to London, Ontario.—*Reuter's American Service.*

HOPES FOR INDIAN AMITY.

VICEROY DEFURES RACIAL DIFFERENCES.

Simla, Aug. 29. In a crowded Assembly the Viceroy, in a speech on the communal question, emphasised that within 18 months communal strife had been responsible for between 250 and 300 deaths, and 2,500 persons had been injured.

There was much in Indian social life that cried out for remedy and reform, but the task would be sorely handicapped so long as the country was distracted and torn by the present animosities. India desired to win self-government, and it was Great Britain's task to guide her towards this end. They were both vitally confronted with the necessity of laying the spectre besetting their path, and their common hopes.

His hopes for agreement between the communities had been disappointed, although he was pleased to see the recent indications of fresh efforts to bring together Hindus and Moslems. He would gladly associate himself with any genuine attempt to find a practical solution of these miserable differences. He would throw his whole energies into this honourable quest.

There was loud applause, and the speech made a marked impression on Indian circles.—*Reuter.*

ITALIAN BARRACKS COLLAPSE.

MANY SOLDIERS ENTOMBED.

Leghorn, Aug. 29. In the middle of the night the roof of the local barracks collapsed, entombing 70 infantrymen, of whom three were killed and 24 injured.

Other soldiers and firemen dashed to the rescue, but there are still 15 buried in the debris.—*Reuter.*

ROUND-THE-WORLD FLIGHT.

THE SECOND STAGE ACCOMPLISHED.

Munich, Aug. 29. The aeroplane "Pride of Detroit" on which Brock and Schlee are flying round the world, has landed here from London, on the second "hop," the first of which was across the Atlantic.—*Reuter.*

London, Aug. 29. The "Pride of Detroit" took off from Croydon for Munich this morning.—*Reuter.*

COLONY'S BUDGET.

BILL PROVIDES FOR \$17,450,103.

HOW MONEY WILL BE SPENT.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council which is to be held on Thursday afternoon, the Hon. Secretary will introduce the Budget, doing so by moving the first reading of "an Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding \$17,450,103 to the Public Service of the year 1928."

The above sum, which is apart from the contribution to the Imperial Government in aid of Military Expenditure and Charges on account of Public Debt, is made up as follows:—

His Excellency the Governor	\$ 101,828
Cadet Service	325,600
Senior Clerical and Account Staff	167,573
Junior Clerical Service	621,867
Colonial Secretary's Office and Legislature	47,955
Secretariat for Chinese Affairs	11,947
Treasury	8,978
Audit Department	45,098
District Office, North	23,087
District Office, South	11,144
Post Office	274,828
Imports and Exports Office	805,170
Harbour Department	899,547
Royal Observatory	36,558
Fire Brigade	217,924
Supreme Court	148,559
Attorney General	83,798
Crown Solicitor's Office	39,855
Official Receiver	9,871
Land Office	26,877
Magistracy, Hongkong	2,250
Magistracy, Kowloon	2,056
Police Force	2,012,117
Prisons Department	528,591
Medical Department	861,058
Sanitary Department	645,425
Botanical and Forestry Department	100,158
Education Department	1,229,013
Public Works Department	1,464,258
Public Works, Recurrent	1,610,150
Public Works, Extraordinary	2,467,164
Kowloon-Canton Railway	720,658
Volunteer Defence Corps	97,400
Miscellaneous Service	924,404
Charitable Services	94,624
Pensions	833,979
Total	\$17,450,103

CAR FALLS INTO THE HARBOUR.

NARROW ESCAPE OF PASSENGERS.

An alarming accident occurred in the small hours of this morning, when a public motor-car skidded into the harbour near Blake Pier, carrying with it the Chinese driver and two Chinese passengers, who had narrow escapes from drowning.

It appears that the car, No. 431, had brought three persons to the Blake Pier stand, about 1.15 this morning. One of the passengers got out, and the remaining two intended to continue their journey in the direction of Wanchai.

As the car started, just beyond Blake Pier, towards the Star Ferry, the rear wheels skidded for some unknown reason, and dropped over the edge of the Praya wall, with the result that the whole machine dropped into the harbour, being completely submerged.

At the time it was raining heavily, with the result that the hood of the car was up, and the sidescrims were in position, so that the two passengers were caught in a trap. The driver was not so dangerously placed, however, as there were no sidescrims to box him in.

As far as can be gathered, the driver left the sunken car by getting out over the door, while the passengers succeeded, by great presence of mind, in opening a door, with the result that they were both freed. One being a strong swimmer had no difficulty in saving himself, but the other was in danger of drowning when he was rescued by the Chinese coxswain of a motor-boat, lying at the pier.

The car was raised this morning by means of a big junk and a crane. Extensive damage has been done by water, and the hood is completely ruined.

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CANTON TO PUT DOWN REVOLT.

SENDING EXPEDITION TO SOUTH DISTRICT.

GUNBOATS PARTICIPATE.

Canton, Aug. 30. Lately there has been an uprising in southern Kwangtung, and the remnants of the Chan Kwang-ming army together with the "Red" peasants and bandits, are now very active in the Yamchow, Limchow, and Hainan districts.

In view of the fact that the revolt has become more and more serious, the Canton Government yesterday ordered an expedition to start immediately against these enemies in the southern districts.

The Kwangsi brigade under General Liu Kwang-kai, now garrisoning Yamchow-Limchow, and the Provincial Guards regiment under General Wang Chin-kau, have been ordered to join this military campaign. The gunboats Kwongkam and Kwongyuk have also been ordered to help in operations at the coastal cities. The Kwongkam will leave Canton for the south to-morrow.

The cause of the revolt in southern Kwangtung is that, since the withdrawal of General Li Chai-sum's troops from the southern districts, the garrison there has been greatly weakened. Although a brigade has come from Kwongsi to reinforce the garrison, these Kwangsi troops are not co-operating with the native guards, and the defence measures have been greatly handicapped.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*

AMERICAN PRODUCTS DECLINE.

OUTPUT SHOWS FALLING OFF.

New York, Aug. 29. The iron and steel production last month was the smallest since 1925, according to the Federal Reserve Board's monthly report.

The output of motor-cars in July and early August was considerably below the figure for the corresponding period last year.

The production of tyres, non-ferrous metals, food products, and woollen textiles, also declined.

Factory employment and wages were smaller than in any month since 1924.

Cotton consumption, however, though smaller than in June, was unusually large for this season of the year.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CHICAGO-NEW YORK DERAILMENT.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR PASSENGERS.

Pittsburgh, Aug. 29. The passengers in the famous Broadway, Limited, express from Chicago to New York had a thrilling escape when 12 miles west of Altoona.

The foremost of two engines drawing the express was derailed, and plunged 200 feet down an embankment. The second engine hung on the edge.

No passengers were injured, but two of the engine-men were killed and two injured.—*Reuter's American Service.*

TYPHOON CLOSE TO HONGKONG.

LOCAL SIGNAL HOISTED.

The Royal Observatory reports that a typhoon is forming near Fratas, the direction being unknown.

The local No. 1 signal was hoisted at 9.17 a.m.

The following warning was later issued:

Typhoon of unknown intensity within 60 miles of Lat. 21° N. Long. 116° E. direction unknown. The local weather forecast, up to noon to-morrow, is: N.E. winds, possibly increasing to a gale; generally overcast, occasional rain.

NORTH REPULSED.

TRANSPORTS SUNK ON YANGTSE.

JAPAN TO WITHDRAW HER TROOPS.

BRITISH SHIPS HIT.

Nanking, Aug. 28.

The 7th Army has been sent down the river to repulse the Northern crossing, and so far they appear to have done so. The Southerners state that they are confident of being able to repulse the Northern attack. Part of the 7th Army is returning to Nanking.

At Wulungshen yesterday, the Southerners were seen to be following up retreating Northerners, going in an eastward direction. Three Northern troops were picked up in the river by H. M. S. Witherington, and they state that their army was the ninth which crossed the river to attack Wulungshen, but which was subject to a counter-attack and defeated.

Troops are now moving out of the city to the east, to meet the further crossing of the Northerners above Morrison Point, which is rumoured. There was no gunfire from either side of the river yesterday.—*Naval Wireless.*

CHINKIANG ACTIVITY.

Inhabitants Conscripted.

Chinkiang, Aug. 29. All transports are ready to leave at short notice. The civil population is being conscripted for military purposes. Some of the officials here have already left.

Heavy gunfire was heard to W. S. W. early this morning. A British steamer was heavily fired on from the south bank at Kueishan, and reported that Northern troops are concentrating at Cinnim Creek and are crossing to Rose Island in junks.—*Naval Wireless.*

SHIPS UNDER FIRE.

Hit Several Times. Wuhu, Aug. 28.

Four British steamers were heavily fired on last night from the right bank of the river below the town. The steamers were hit several times, but there were no casualties.

Convoys between Wuhu and Yine Point have been instituted again. Large troop movements down the river are expected to-day.—*Naval Wireless.*

JAPAN'S TROOPS.

An Early Withdrawal.

Tokyo, Aug. 29.

The Premier announced at a Privy Council meeting that it had been decided to withdraw the Japanese troops from Shantung in the immediate future.

Baron Tanaka is having an audience with the Emperor to-morrow, it is believed for the purpose of obtaining Imperial sanction for the withdrawal.—*Reuter.*

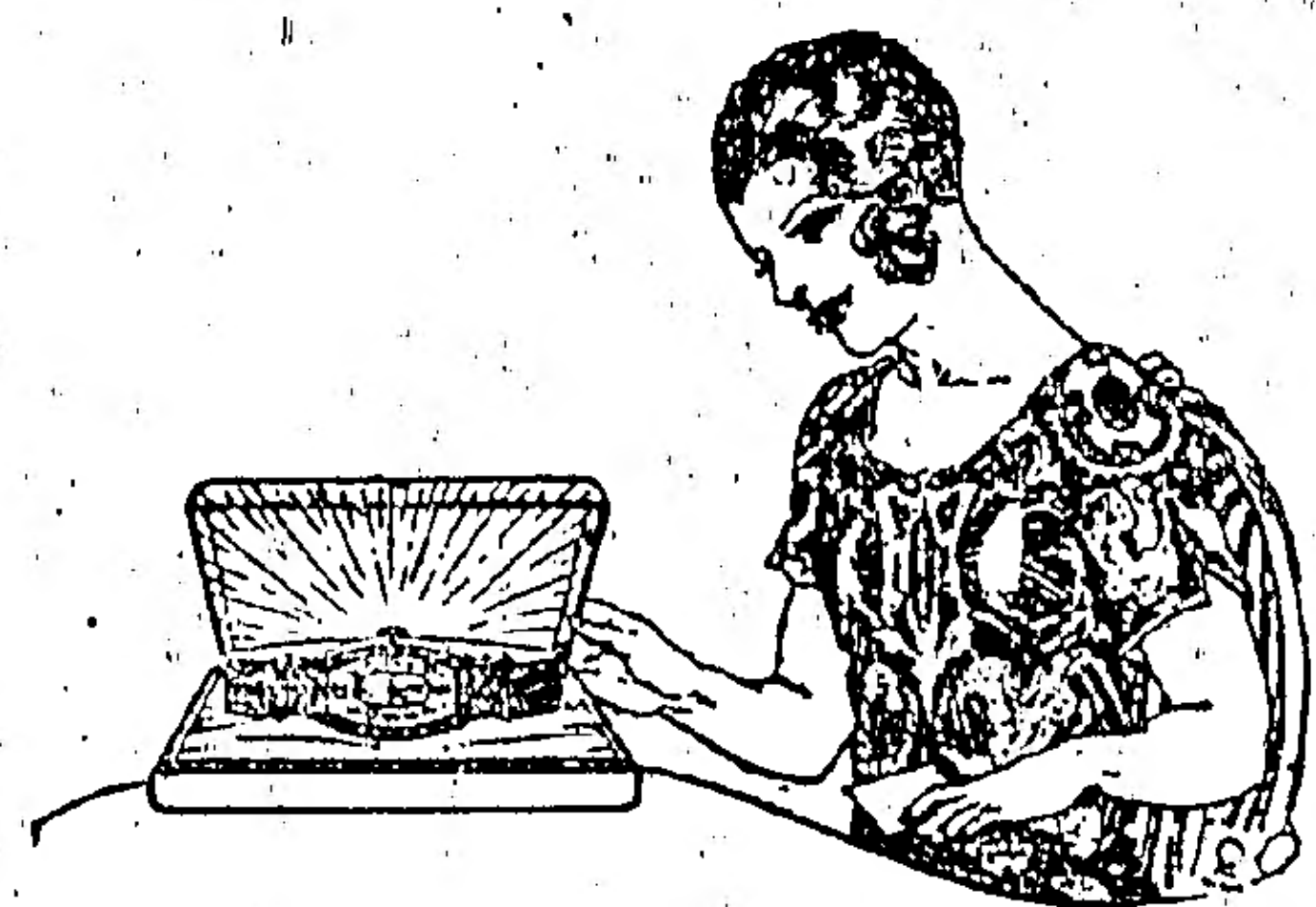
NO DISSENSION.

Two Generals One in Heart.

Shanghai, Aug. 30. The Nationalists claim that General Sun Chuan-fang's troops, on five junks, attempted an attack on Chinkiang in the small hours yesterday morning. They were discovered and shelled by the Nationalist gunboat, Tungchi. Two of the junks were sunk, and the others retreated to the northern bank.

Generals Ho Ying-ching and Li Chung-jen have jointly sent out a circular telegram, stating that they both formerly studied in the same school and are now serving under the same colour. Although their bodies are two, their heart is but one. The reports of dissension between them, are declared in the telegram as rumours of the Nationalists' enemies, and not worth any consideration at all.

It is reported that General Tang Sang-chi, the Hankow military chief, has arrived at Nanking, where most of the Hankow leaders are being assembled.—*Nam Chong Pao.*



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ELECTRIC SWITCHES.

INQUIRY INTO DEATH OF COOLIE.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell severely censured a young and inexperienced Chinese, apprenticed electrician to a Chinese firm, when he conducted an inquiry yesterday into the circumstances surrounding the death by electrocution of a Chinese, Chan Fak-sun, on the premises of Messrs. Mustard and Company, Alexandra Building.

It will be recalled that the coolie went into a flooded cellar after the typhoon and received a charge of electric current.

The first witness yesterday was the chief clerk of Mustard & Co., who spoke of the basement being found in a flooded condition as a result of the typhoon. Chan Pok-sau, a godown coolie reported the matter, with the result that an electrician was sent for to attend to the electrical wiring. When the electrician arrived, Chan opened the door of a side-storeroom which was in darkness and entered. Immediately afterwards, witness heard a cry of "Hi Yah," after which there was silence.

Witness did not know where the main switch was, and he telephoned for an ambulance.

Hunt for Switch.

Mr. L. J. Cave, an assistant at Messrs. Mustard and Co. also said he did not know where the main switch was. He went along to Messrs. Watson's to see if they could switch off the power, and they told him they would get someone in the building who knew where the switch was.

Suspended from the ceiling was a flexible wire which was wet, to the end of which was attached a lamp. On investigating, he found that the wire, which looped on to the floor, was broken off a short distance from the floor, the broken end being in the water, which covered the floor to a depth of about two inches. Witness found part of the remaining wire wrapped round Chan's body. Witness succeeded in getting the body out of the store room.

Mr. Lindsell asked witness to convey to the Manager from the Court the necessity for discovering at once where the main switch was.

Witness replied they could control their upper lights, but as far as he knew there was no switch for controlling their godown lights alone.

Captain F. L. Brown, Hongkong Electric Company, said there were main fuses, but he did not think there was a main switch for the whole of the building. With regard to the flexible wire, witness said that if the part hanging down from the plug in the ceiling was wet and alive, anyone catching hold of it would get a shock.

He was shown the entire wire, which had been broken into three pieces, and said he thought they might have burnt out by reason of the wet. He said at first the wire looked as though it might have been torn and suggested that Chan might have caught hold of the wire, and broken it in his fall.

In giving evidence of the post mortem examination Dr. Cannon said he found all the symptoms of electric shock, which was the cause of death.

Artificial Respiration.

He quoted from a text book, in which it was stated the smallest known current that had killed a person at Home was 240 volts, while in Hongkong the strength was only 200 volts. As a matter of interest to the public, he explained that an electric shock was not necessarily fatal, especially if artificial respiration was started immediately and continued for at least an hour before hope was given up. Lives were lost by the fact that artificial respiration was not commenced immediately. In the present case such respiration was tried, but not soon enough. The respiration was the first thing affected by a shock, and it was known that the heart might continue to beat for some time afterwards.

Mr. A. E. Clarke, electrical department, F.W.D., advanced the

CHINA WAR.

NEWS MOST CONFLICTING.

Shanghai, Aug. 29.

War news is most conflicting, but it appears that despite the fact that the Northerners have been severely hindered by lack of transport along the Yangtze, the Southerners are feeling the pinch of the Northern offensive.

A message from Nanking says the Southerners are reported to be withdrawing to prepared position behind Nanking, leaving only a few troops in the town.—*Reuter.*

Northern Prisoners in Shanghai.

Shanghai, Aug. 29.

Nine hundred northern prisoners arrived at Shanghai to-day. The Northerners attempted to cross the river at another point between Shanghai and Nanking but were repulsed.—*Reuter.*

Stubborn Resistance.

Shanghai, Aug. 29.

Sun Chuan-fang is continuing his efforts to cross the Yangtze river, but is meeting with scant success, all attempts being met with stubborn resistance from the Nationalists who are holding the southern bank of the river below Nanking.

General Li Lieh-chun and Ho Ying-ching have sent a joint telegram to Shanghai reporting that General Sun's troops had been driven back to the northern bank on several occasions after they had managed to get across the river.

On the 27th, the telegram says, 5,000 of Sun's men were defeated and disarmed near Chisha Hill. On the same evening 4,000 Northerners stole their way to Pak-wachau, under cover of darkness, but the movement was discovered and the Nationalists drove them back.

The Nationalist gunboats Chotung and Choyui are standing by near Sankiangkau prepared to assist the Nationalist land forces to cross the river to launch a counter attack.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*

theory that the man might have been feeling along the wire for the lamp end of the wire in the darkness, and when his hand reached the lamp and switch combined he received a shock, which would be direct to earth, because his feet would be in the water.

Witness considered it was of the utmost importance to every company and every householder to know where the main switches were, to enable them to make the circuit dead at a moment's notice.

The Chinese apprentice electrician, who visited the premises in response to a message, said that when he reached the basement he found everything in darkness, and he discovered that a fuse had blown out. He put a screw driver across the points and sparks flashed out. He then put in another fuse which also blew out. He put on the wall switch, but no light appeared.

Afterwards Chan opened the door of the side store room and entered, while witness stood behind with a candle. Witness saw Chan catch hold of the flexible wire and run his hand along it. Suddenly he cried out "Hi Yah" and collapsed against a wall. Witness then ran upstairs for help.

In reply to Mr. Lindsell witness said he knew that there must be something seriously wrong with the wires, as the second fuse had blown out, but in spite of this he allowed Chan to go into the dark room without warning him not to touch any of the wires.

Inexperienced Electrician.

Mr. Lindsell told the witness that he ought to be ashamed of himself, and that was, in fact, partially responsible for Chan's death.

Witness replied that he did not know what was the matter.

Mr. Lindsell: Don't make excuses. You had no right to have

OBITUARY.

COUNTESS MARGUERITE CUNLIFFE-OWEN.

New York, Aug. 29.

The death is announced of the Countess Marguerite Cunliffe-Owen, widow of the late Sir Frederick Cunliffe-Owen, ex-diplomat. On her deathbed she disclosed that she was the author of the "Martyrdom of the Empress," a biography of Empress Elizabeth of Austria, which was published anonymously.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Old Shanghai Resident.

Residents of Shanghai from 1895 to 1905 well remember Mr. J. T. Hamilton, the general manager for the Far East of the Equitable Life Insurance Co., whose death took place at Hyeres on July 19.

Mr. Hamilton, who was always referred to by his friends as "The General," was a jovial Irishman and very popular with the community. He rode regularly in the paper hunts, and was the owner of a very fine pony "Dunlop" on which he won the Beestakes at the Paper Hunt Races.

Mr. Hamilton retired from the East about 1905 and has enjoyed many years of health and happiness in England where he was always delighted to see friends from China.

JAPAN TO WITHDRAW.

TROOPS IN SHANTUNG TO RETIRE.

Tokyo, Aug. 29.

It has been learned from apparently reliable sources that the Government has decided to withdraw its troops from Shantung to Dairen and Japan. A proclamation to that effect is expected in the very near future.—*Reuter.*

The Asahi reports that the change which the retirement of Chiang Kai-shek has brought about in the war situation in North China is causing the Japanese diplomatic and military authorities to discuss the question of evacuation with greater earnestness. Views are being exchanged between them at present on this question, with the expectation that the matter will be taken up at a Cabinet Council and the withdrawal of troops from Shantung will take place at an early date.

THREE WEEKS.

MR. AND MRS. BALDWIN OFF ON HOLIDAY.

London, Aug. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin have left London for Aix-les-Bains for a three weeks holiday. Mr. Baldwin previously conversed with Lord Cecil in regard to the possibility of the latter's resignation.—*Reuter.*

got the job to start with, but that is probably your master's fault. Sergt. MacDonald told Mr. Lindsell that there were no more witnesses. He added that Messrs. Watson's owned the whole building.

Mr. Lindsell remarked he would like to have evidence with regard to the switches. Apparently Messrs. Watson and Co. were responsible for the various fuses in the place, other than those installed by the Electric Company. He would like evidence from Messrs. Watson and Co. as to where the fuses governing the lights in the various parts of the building were situated, and what steps they took to notify their tenants where the switches were.

The enquiry was adjourned until noon on Thursday, for this evidence to be given.

FUNERAL.

LATE MR. G. R. HAYWOOD.

The funeral of the late Mr. G. R. Haywood took place last evening at the Protestant Cemetery Happy Valley, Rev. H. Copley Moyle officiating.

The cortege was followed by a large representation of the legal fraternity of the Colony, and also friends of the deceased.

Those present included: the acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood), the acting Puisne Judge (Mr. P. Jacks), the Attorney-General (the Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, C.B.E., K.C.), the acting Assistant Attorney-General (Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy), the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Messrs. W. A. Dowley, G. S. Archbutt, R. Baker, L. E. S. Hodge, C. G. Alabaster, K.C., Hin Shing-lo, F. H. Loseby, Leo d'Almada, E. Davidson, L. D. Strellet, J. A. Gordon Leask, H. L. Denny, H. C. Macnamara, M. K. Lo, F. C. Nash, H. K. Woo, G. N. Tinson, J. M. Remedios, E. Agassiz, P. M. Hodgson, A. W. Graham-Brown, V. K. Wong, A. E. Wood, N. M. Bux, members of the office staff, and others.

Floral Tributes.

Mother and Bobbie, His Loving Sisters, Winnie, Letty, Flossie Seton and Mrs. Rosser, Madame M. Flint, Miss K. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. W. Schofield, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hazeland, Mr. and Mrs. Hodge, Mr. and Mrs. Leo d'Almada, Castro, Mr. and Mrs. E. Agassiz, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hind, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. O'Donoghue, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Remedios, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Bander, Mr. and Mrs. Winyard, Mr. and Mrs. Goddard, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Dutton, Mr. and Mrs. T. O'Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. C. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Coppin and Miss Coppin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baker and Miss Baker, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Alabaster.

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Mr. Haywood's Office Staff, Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, The Incorporated Law Society of Hongkong, Deacons, d'Almada and Mason, Lammert Brothers, Lee and Russ, Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, Messrs. Geo. K. Hall Brutton and Co., Lowe Bingham and Matthews, the committee and members of the Hongkong Club, Messrs. Woo and Nash, King Edward Hotel, Hastings, Denny and Bowley.

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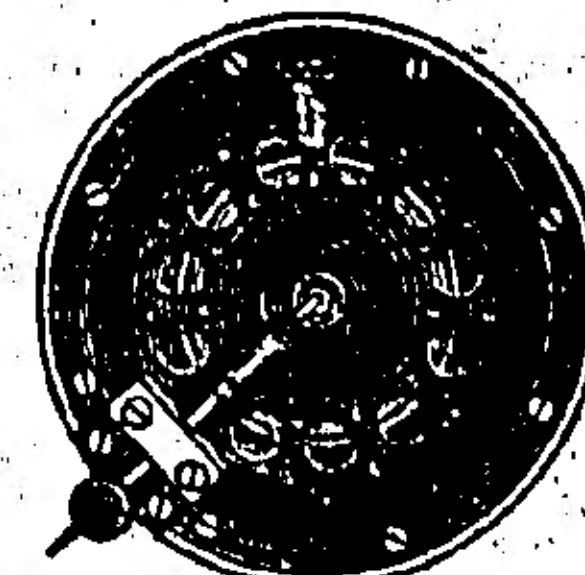
SERIOUS FIRES IN BOSTON.

Boston, Aug. 29.

One hundred thousand persons witnessed the silent procession of thousands of workers toward the crematory where the bodies of Sacco and Vanzetti were cremated.

Two engine houses of the local fire brigade in the west end of Boston were set afire last night while the firemen were away extinguishing a serious blaze at the railway freight yard on the other side of the city. The circumstances of the outbreaks exactly resembled the two engine house fires earlier in the evening at Cambridge, where the firemen were also called away to extinguish fires in an old barn and a valuable chemical factory. The police attribute all the fires to Sacco-Vanzetti sympathisers.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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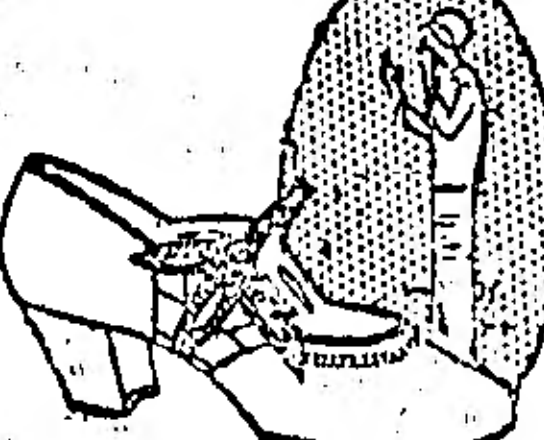
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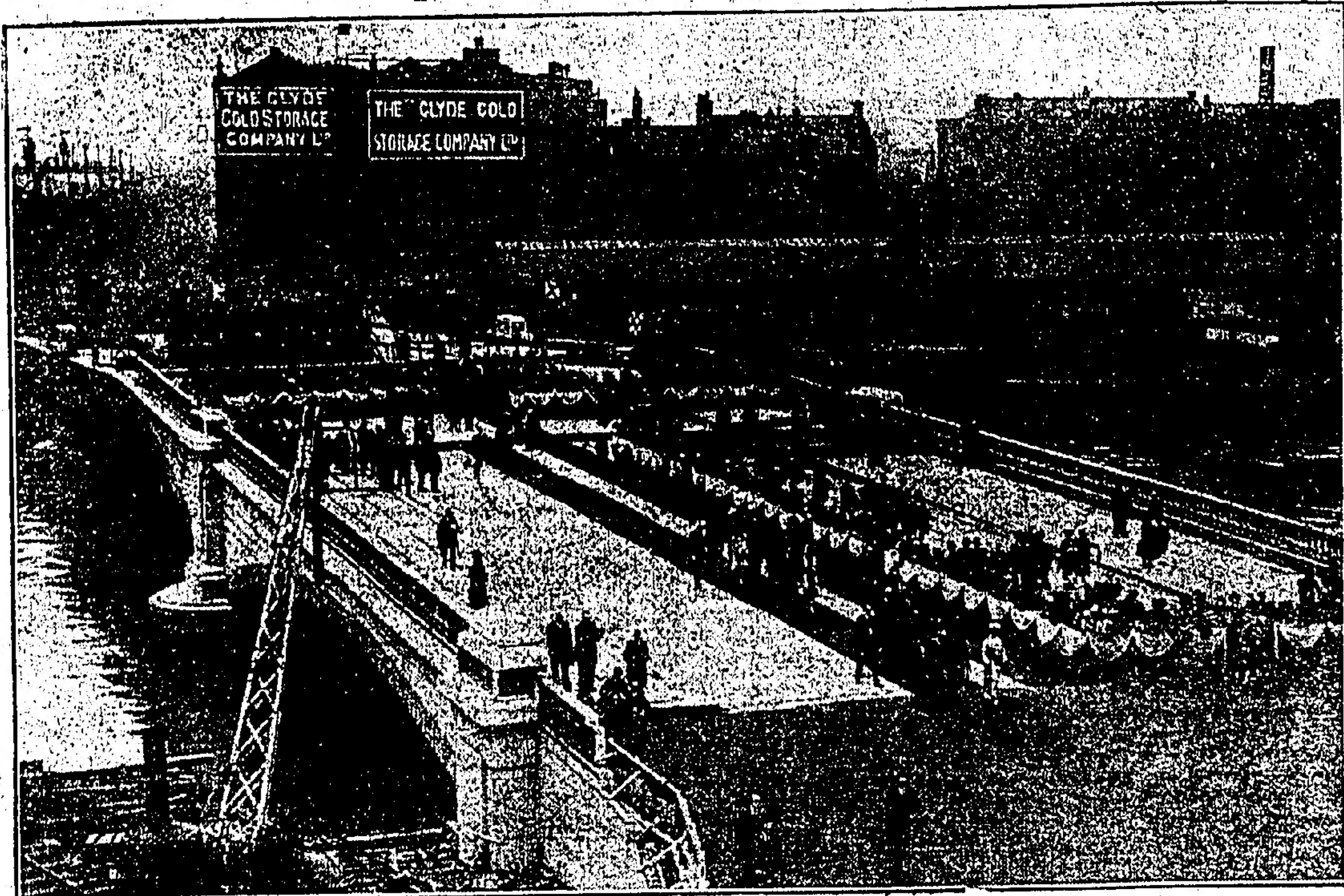
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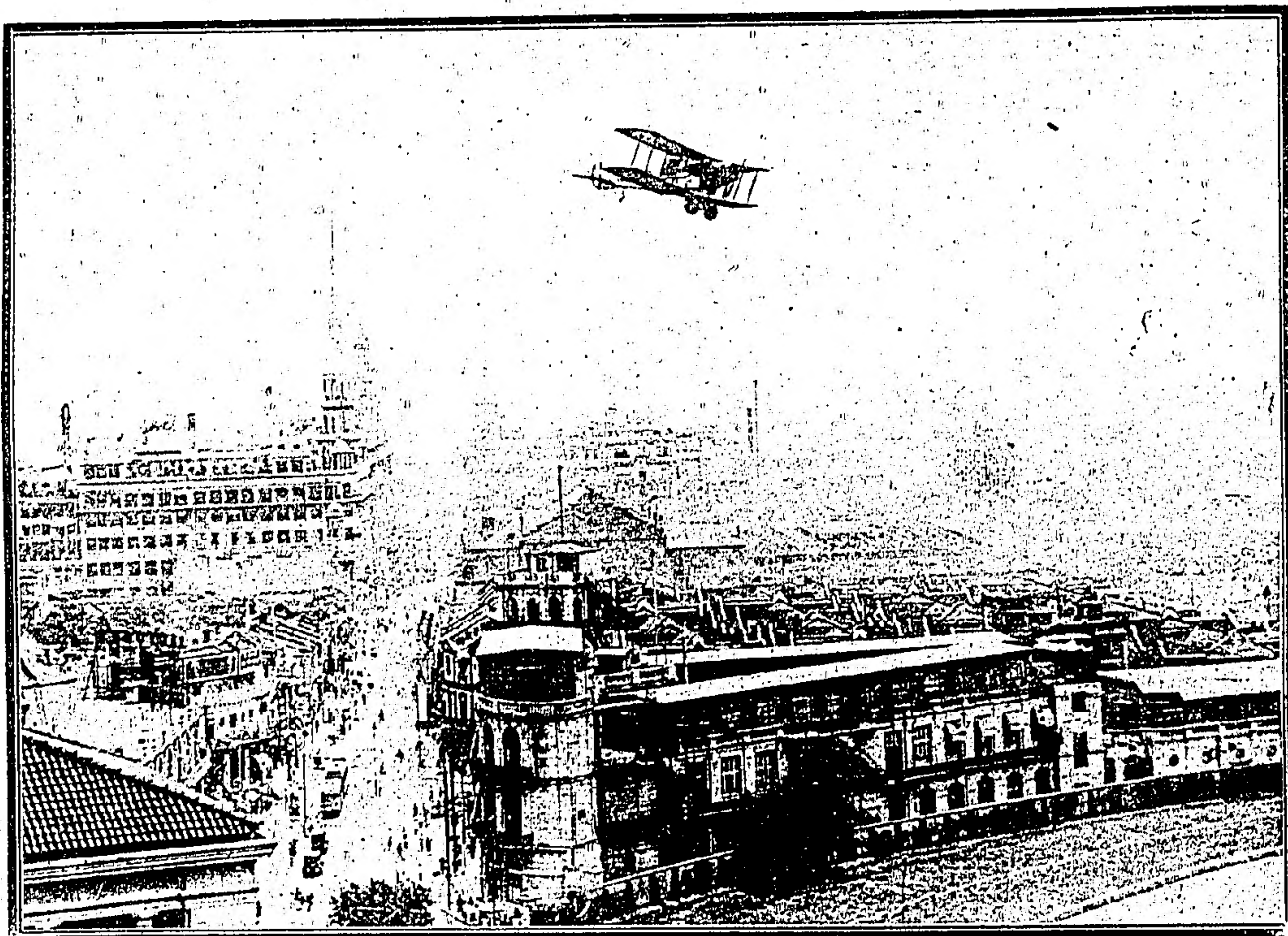


A Puzzler for Guzz

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ROYAL VISIT TO GLASGOW.—The King and Queen had a busy day in Glasgow when they fulfilled several public engagements, which included the opening of the Kelvin Hall of Industries, and the laying of a memorial stone of a new bridge across the Clyde. Our picture shows their Majesties passing across the bridge, which is known as the George the Fifth Bridge, after the ceremony. (Times copyright).



SOON TO BID FAREWELL.—One of the planes in the No. 2 (Army Co-operation) Squadron, Royal Air Force, skimming down to the landing ground on the race course, at Shanghai, Nanking Road in the background. It is understood the R. A. F. will soon be packing up their machines and leaving Shanghai.



VIENNA'S CHIEF OF POLICE.—During the rioting in Vienna, Prefect of Police Schober (above) was reported captured by Communists. But after three days of disorder, the prefect reported "the situation well in hand," with 10,000 soldiers patrolling the streets and guarding public buildings. More than 250 were arrested and 60 killed in the uprising and general strike during which the Palace of Justice was burned. The Vienna police system hitherto had been called the finest in the world.



A CHAMPION INDEED.—This is Lieut. C. C. Champion of the U. S. Navy's air force, who recent starred in another aviation thriller. While Lt. Champion was more than six miles above Bolling Field, Washington, in an attempt to break the altitude record, the motor of his plane exploded. Lt. Champion piloted the powerless ship to a safe landing, at great risk; and it was found he had also achieved a record altitude.

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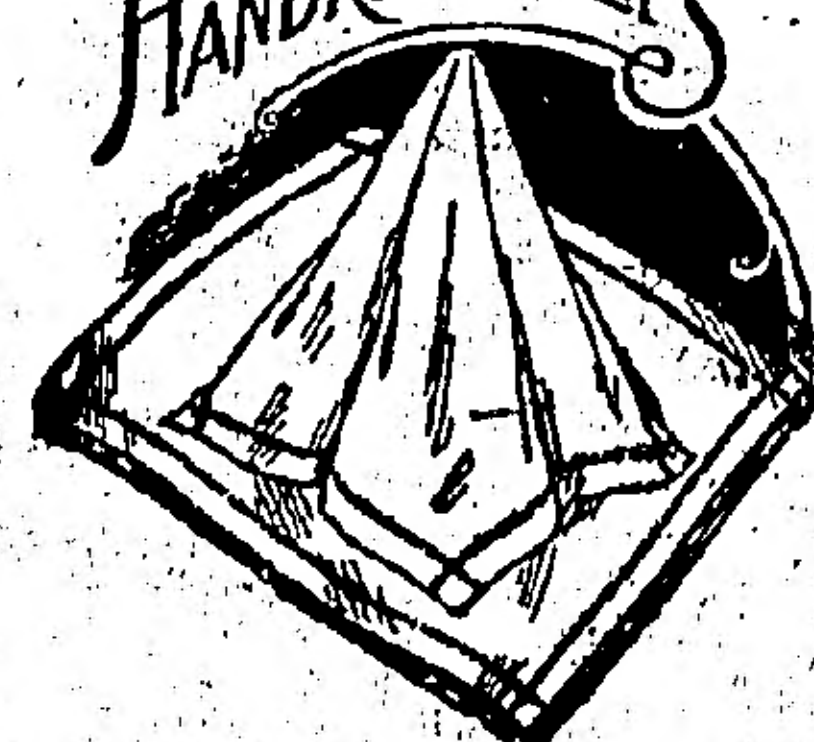
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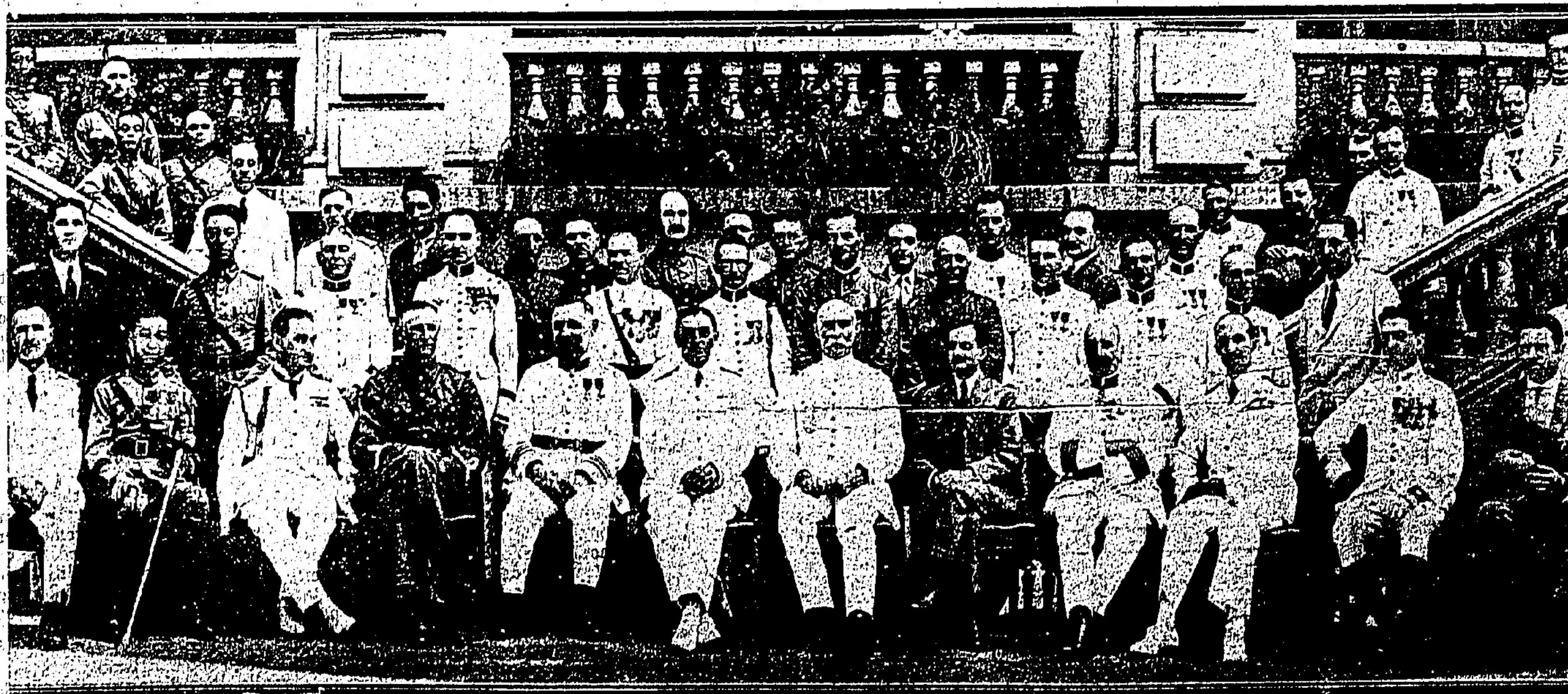
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ESCAPED MURDERERS RE-CAPTURED.

GOT OUT OF PRISON BY BRIBERY.

WELL-LAID PLANS.

Tsingtao, Aug. 11. Tsinan newspapers report that the two Russian murderers of the late Mr. Carl Fischer, Jeweller, of Tsingtao, who escaped from Tsinan prison recently under circumstances clearly indicating that the prison authorities had been bribed, have now been recaptured at Lo Kou. The Chief Warden of Tsinan hurried there to report and he ascertained that they are indeed the two wanted men. He returned to Tsinan with the prisoners under heavy guard.

Rewards Not Paid.

This news, if authentic, and we believe it to be, is very good news, and Director Chao Chi will feel greatly relieved that the effort of the Tsingtao Police in making the original enquiry that led to the first capture of these murderers have not been made in vain.

At the same time the fact remains that the rewards promised by the Tsingtao authorities to those who gave evidence that would lead to the capture of the murderers of Mr. Carl Fischer have not been paid, though it is well known that the sub-agents, who assisted in the search have had to be reimbursed for their work. It is plain that if punishment has been so tardy as to admit of the escape of the culprits the reward of those originally responsible for the arrests is more tardy still.

A good deal is known, apparently, by the Chinese Police regarding the methods adopted to bribe the Tsinan prison authorities to secure the freedom of the convicted murderers, and it would be interesting to know if the German Consul at Tsingtao in the interests of the murdered German citizen Fischer, will not succeed in exposing the channels through which the prison authorities were reached. Unfortunately there is fairly strong evidence that the plans for the prison breaking were laid at Tsingtao, and not at Tsinan, and to say that the public is deeply interested in this case is putting the matter very mildly. We propose to open up the whole affair regarding the rescue, and are only awaiting further evidence before publishing all that is already known.—Tsingtao Times.

CHINA COAST.**THE LATEST CHANGES.**

Captain A. Dockwrey, of the Leesang, is on reserve. Captain R. W. Bateman, of the Kiangwo, has gone master, Leesang. Captain J. H. Smith, of the Changwo, has gone master, Kiangwo.

Mr. E. V. Bishop, chief officer, Tungwo, has gone chief officer, Tuckwo. Mr. N. Cook, chief officer, Tuckwo, has gone chief officer, Tungwo.

Mr. A. Bunain, chief engineer, Fuhwo, has gone chief engineer, Tungwo. Mr. A. Turnbull, chief engineer, Tungwo, has gone chief engineer, Fuhwo.

Mr. L. Evans, chief officer, Tienkwang, is on reserve.—Shipping and Engineering.

The old-fashioned Miss who was satisfied if her escort spent a guinea on an evening's entertainment has been succeeded by the flapper who expects a man to spend between \$10 and \$20 in a single night. This, says Mr. W. L. Barnhart, vice-president of a New York surety company which gives bonds for many bank employees, plays a large part in the increase of crime. The fear of being called "cheap" by young women, he declared, places the average youth holding a position of trust, but with only a moderate income under strong temptation.

BANDITS KIDNAP 3 MEN AT HARBIN.

DANISH MISSIONARY IS RELEASED.

Harbin, Aug. 12.

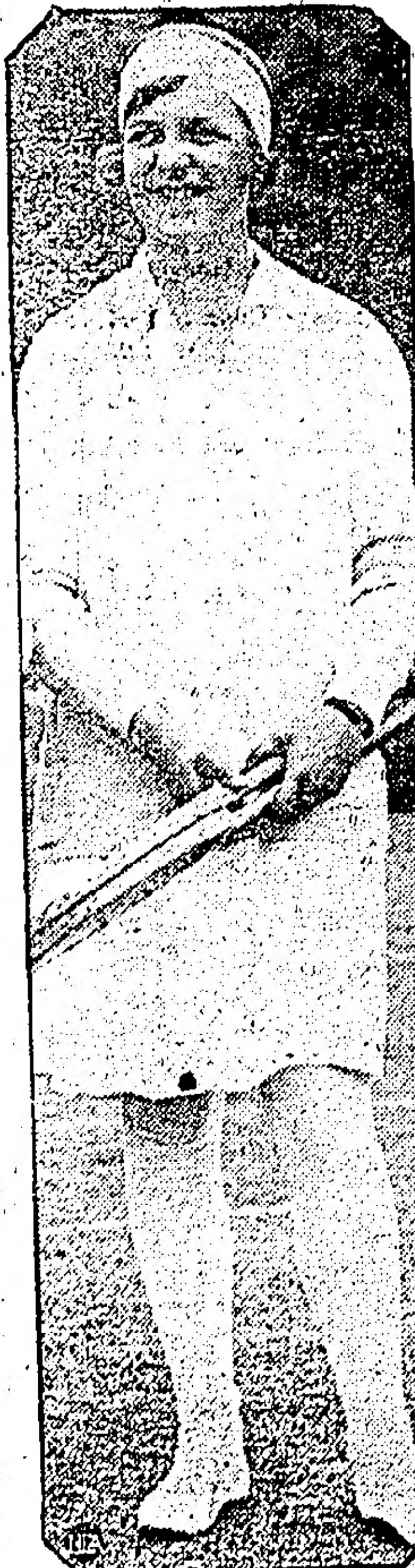
A Danish missionary, a clerk and a railway employee were kidnapped by Chinese bandits from the popular summer resort of Erechendzian, near Harbin, in a daring night raid which threw the hundreds of people of the resort in panic and caused a stampede for the railway station.

Missionary Convinces Brigands. The missionary, able to speak Chinese, was released after he had explained to the bandit chieftain he was a poor priest for whom nobody would pay a ransom. The clerk and the railway man still are held but troops are reported to have surrounded the bandits and their rescue is expected.

The raid was carried out by several hundred bandits with the utmost daring. A dance was in progress at the resort hotel and many people were chatting and playing bridge in nearby bungalows. A bridge player, just doubling a bid of three trumps, looked up in one of the bungalows to face a rifle held in the hands of a villainous bandit. At the same time other bandits began shooting out lights in the hotel and in the bungalows.

Holiday Makers Flee. The holiday makers from Harbin were frantic and fled, chiefly towards the railway station. It was some hours before order was restored and a check showed that the three men had been kidnapped.

The missionary returned next morning from the bandit camp and said the bandits had fixed the ransom of the two prisoners at \$10,000 and \$5,000 respectively. The Chinese authorities at once despatched a strong detachment of troops to the bandit camps and fighting started.

YOUNG STAR.

Miss Betty Nuthall, the young English lawn tennis expert, who is progressing splendidly in the American women's open tournament.

OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

HOUSE-FLY CAN CARRY DEADLY GERMS.

PUBLIC SHOULD ACT.

The fly is born in manure and from the cess-pool and the garbage can to the hospital and the morgue and thence perhaps into the home. It is a dangerous pest, for it may carry typhoid fever, dysentery, or other diseases. It has no business in a healthful home.

The common house-fly cannot bite because its mouth parts are constructed for liquids only. It deposits its eggs in filth, or on any decaying matter, but preferably where there is a certain amount of sunlight.

The stable-fly is a biting fly and will invade the home in rainy weather. People sometimes confuse the two types of flies. From eight to twelve days are required for the development of the fly from egg to adult.

Simple measures for the control of flies can be adopted by any one. They include the screening of all doors and windows, the proper disposal of all refuse so that it may not form a place of breeding, the use of sticky fly-papers, and general cleanliness in the home. The fly-swatter, that deadly little piece of wire screen on the end of a stick, has achieved wonders in the past few years in controlling the fly menace.

Because of the obviousness of the fly, and the fact that it is a general nuisance, its relationship to the spread of disease may have been overestimated. The fly is an intermittent feeder and is inactive for some time after each feeding. It has been shown that the digestive juices of the fly constitute a favourable medium for the development of the germ of tuberculosis and that all sorts of germs can attach themselves to the legs and wings of the fly. The probabilities are that most of these germs and parasites die before they are transferred to a favourable place for their further growth, but the menace actually exists and the fly is best eliminated.

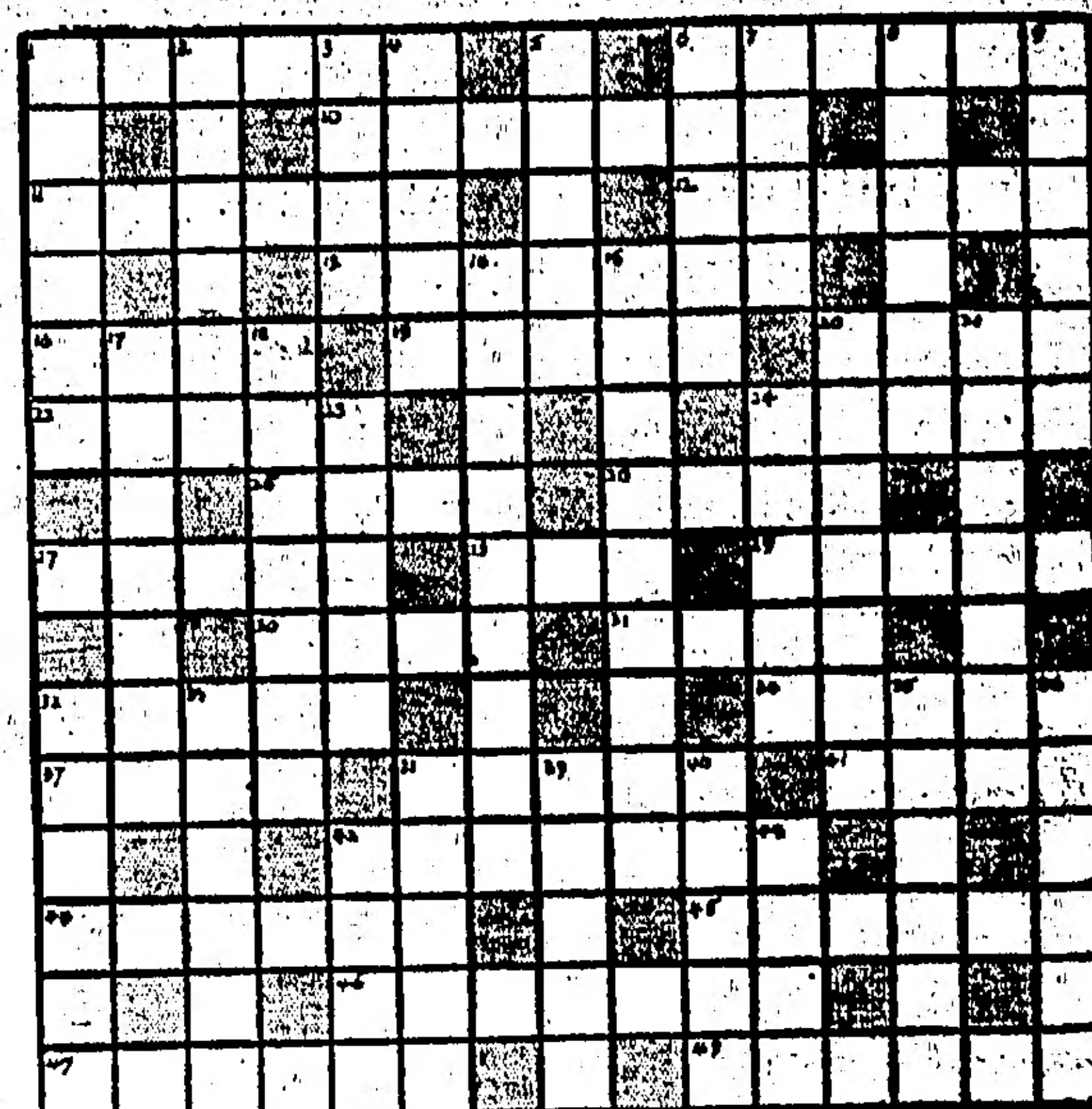
In the great campaigns for better health, leaders have found that a phlegmatic and ignorant public has to be stirred into a fine moral frenzy before results can be accomplished. Through the creation of such a feeling came the magnificent warfares of recent years that have served largely to abolish the fly from civilized homes.

Today the intelligent man does not need to be urged to eliminate the fly from his surroundings. Experience has taught him that the process is easy and well worth the accomplishment.

COLD BLOODED MURDER.**A SHANGHAI OUTRAGE.**

The murders which have become so frequent of late in the Settlement at Shanghai were continued on Sunday last, two persons being victims of gunmen. Shortly after 8 o'clock on Sunday night a Chinese girl residing at 337 Macao Road reported to the Pootoo Road station that her brother had been shot down in cold blood by a gang who had broken into their home. The victim of the shooting is a mill hand and it is believed that he had brought down the wrath of some of his fellow workers on his head.

According to inquiries made by the police, it was ascertained that at about 8.10 p.m. three men entered the house through the front door. One of them, whose name was learned by the police, informed the four inmates that they should go outside.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.**Across.**

- 1 Certain examinations.
- 6 Took the lead.
- 10 Gas filled.
- 11 Unbroken.
- 12 Mammal allied to the guinea-pig.
- 13 Edible.
- 16 Light wine.
- 19 Goes slower.
- 20 Totals.
- 22 Plants.
- 24 Personal belonging.
- 25 Let it remain (printing.).
- 26 Without exception.
- 27 Greek letter.
- 28 Turkish commander.
- 29 Wireless broadcast.
- 30 Old gold coin.
- 31 Fierce.
- 32 Withered.
- 34 Hold back.
- 37 Pagan god.
- 38 Islands.
- 41 Part of a pedestal.
- 42 Rediscover.
- 43 Send out of the country.
- 46 Boring instruments.
- 46 Hunters.
- 47 Vixen.
- 48 Dissertation.

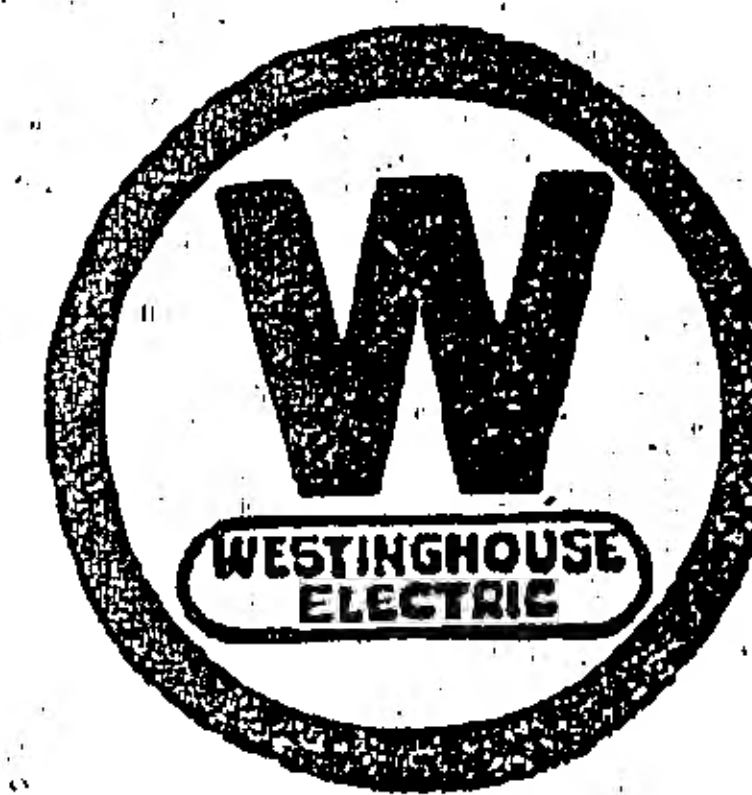
Down.

- 1 Hasty departure.
- 2 Announcement.
- 3 Piece of string.
- 4 Bristles.
- 5 Buddhist priests.
- 6 Cures.
- 7 Border.
- 8 Ancient Celtic priests.

- 9 Most uninteresting.
- 14 Excite by unrealistic expectations.
- 15 Blockade.
- 17 Commanded.
- 18 Common British falcon.
- 20 Afraid to meet people.
- 21 Taken originally.
- 23 Stately.
- 24 Fungus.
- 32 Unmurmuring.
- 33 Playful child.
- 35 Opposers.
- 36 Cooks on a spit.
- 38 Bury.
- 39 Birds.
- 40 Jump with fright.
- 42 Constellation.
- 43 Be quiet.

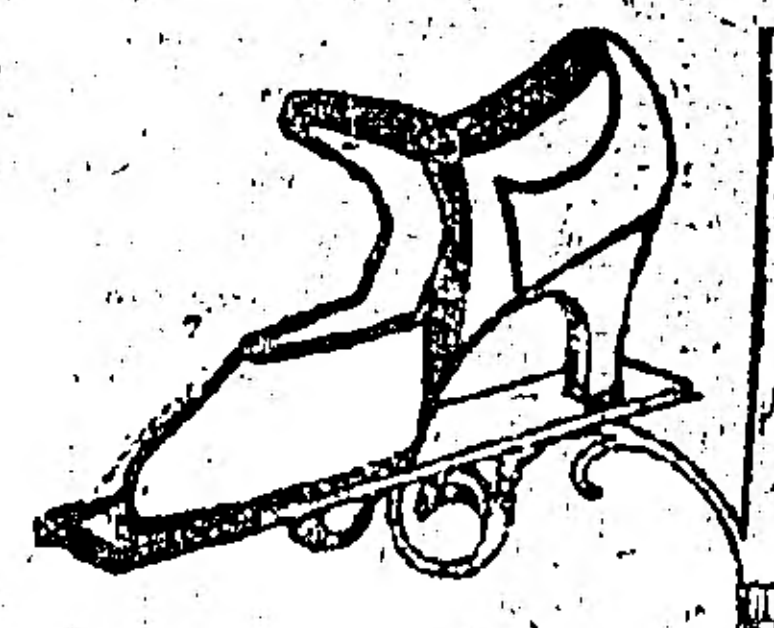
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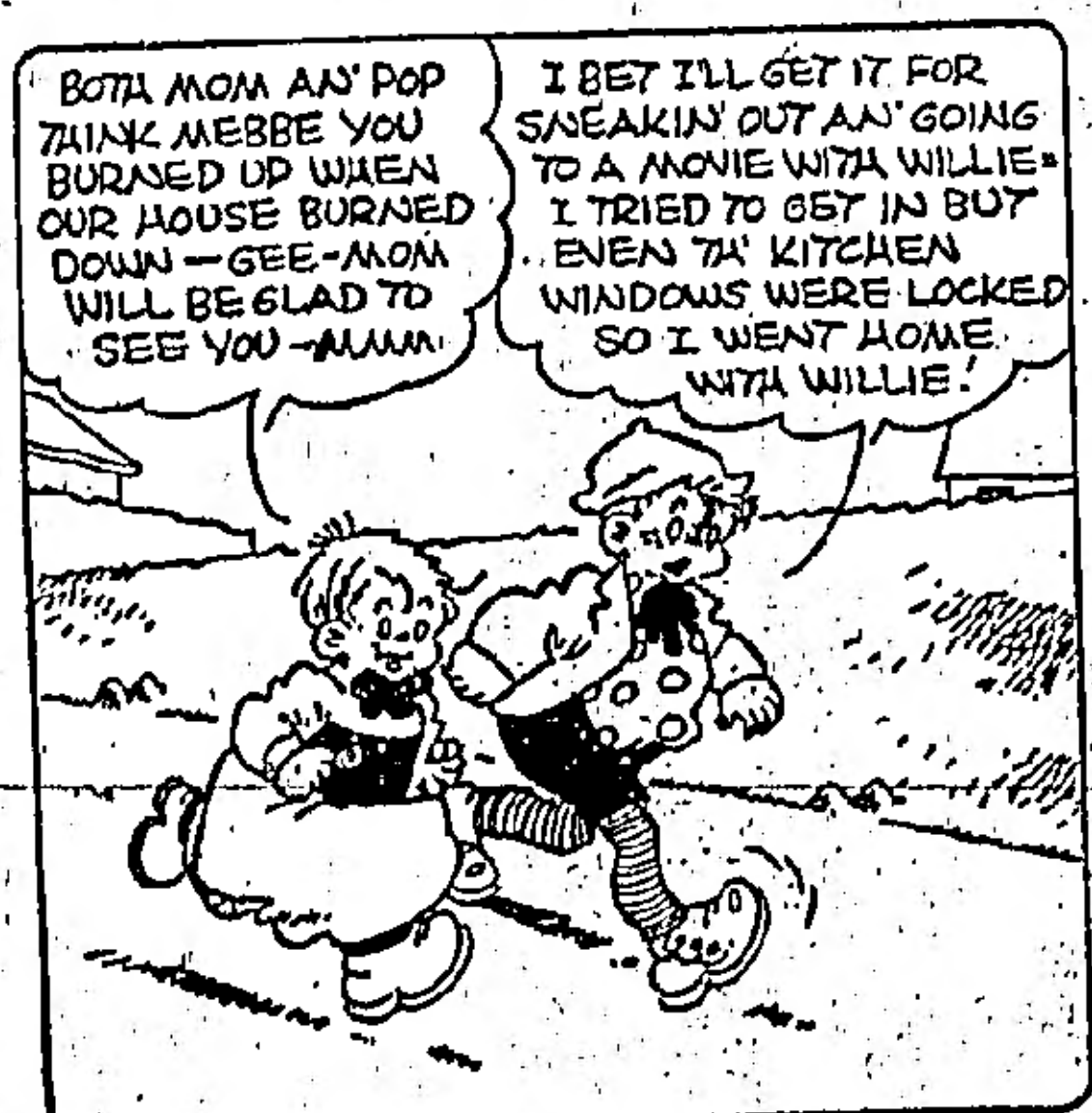
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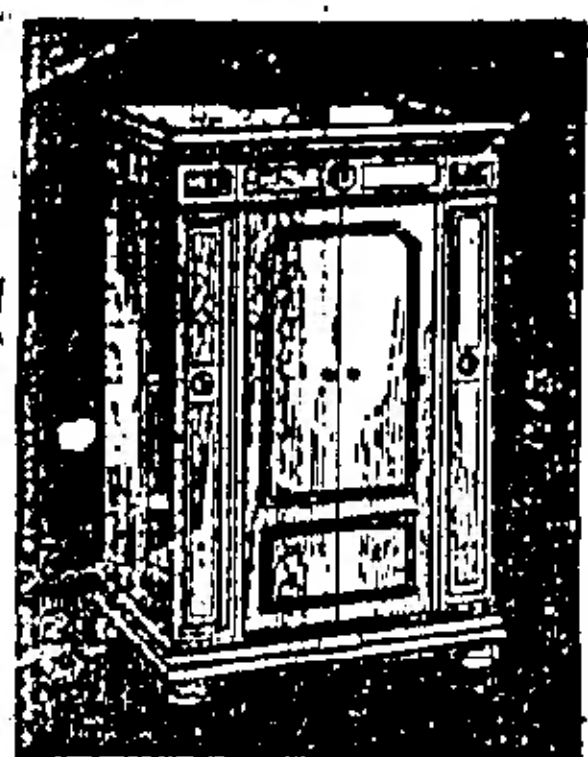
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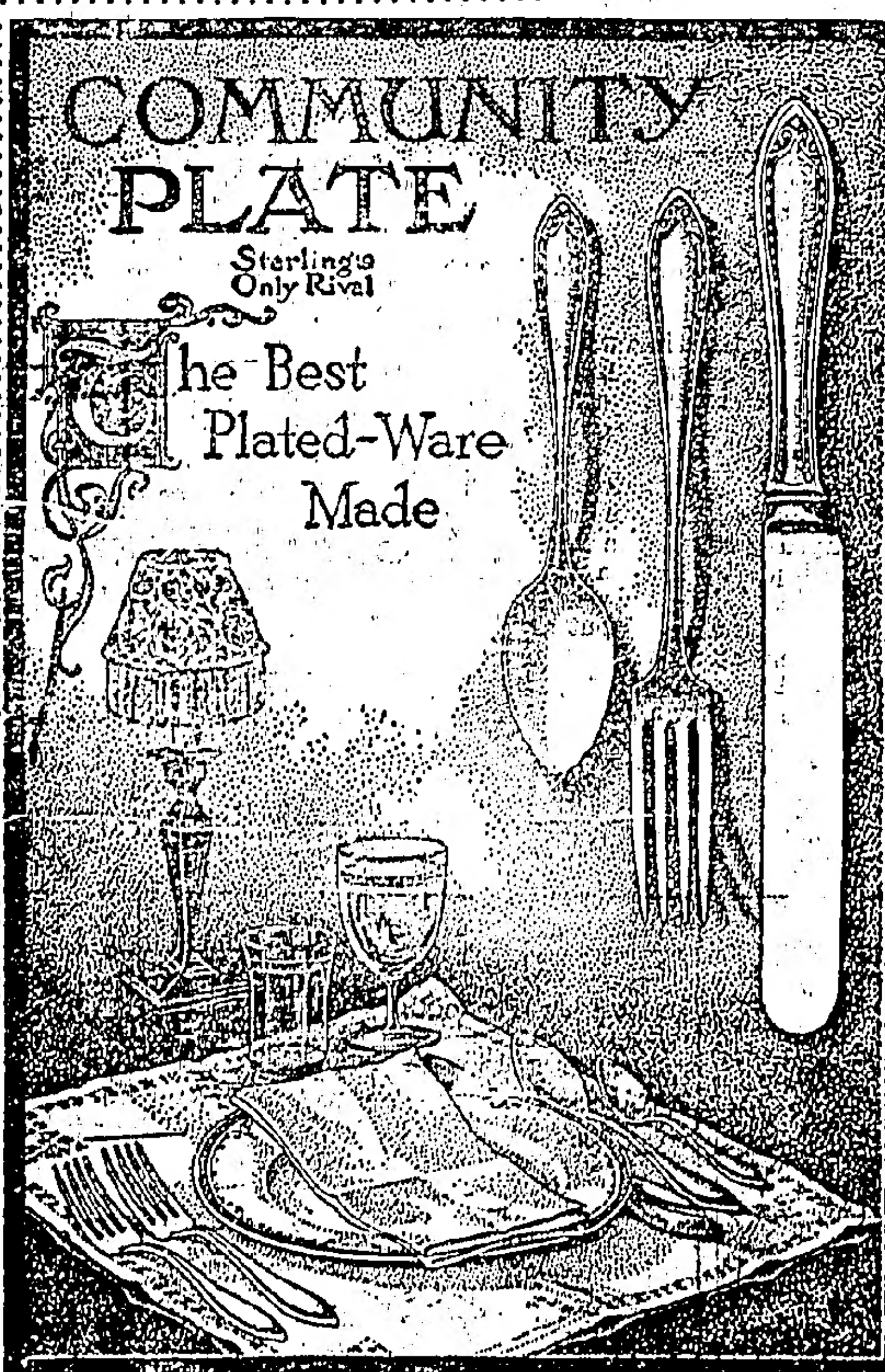
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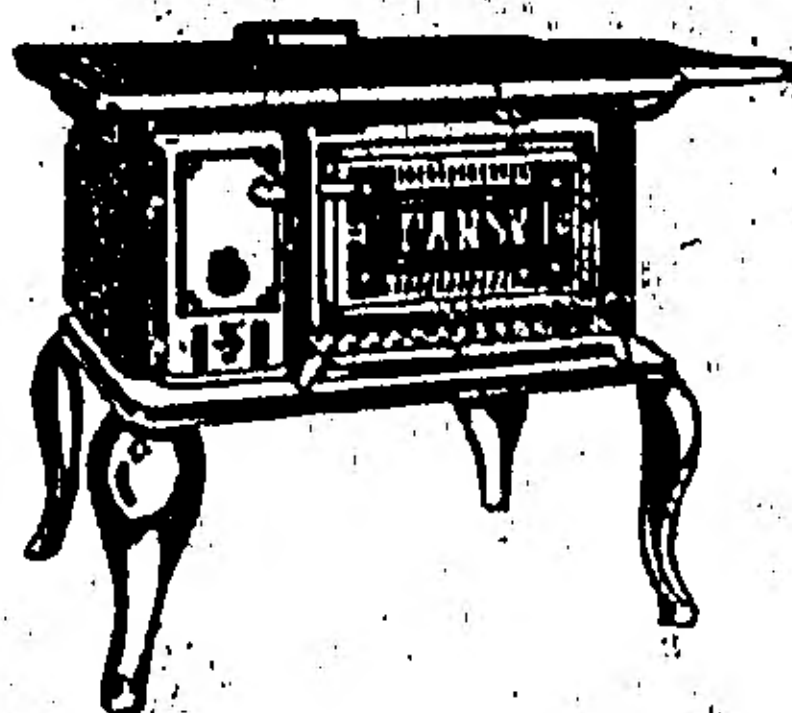
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ABOUT MONEY.

In view of the very interesting announcement that the Colony's Budget for 1928 is to be introduced into the Legislative Council shortly it is not inappropriate to take a rough and ready survey of the state of the Colony's finances as revealed by the last published information. It seems a little strenuous, perhaps, to apply one's mind diligently to questions of government finance in these days of heat and general lassitude but if we are going to have the Budget this week we may as well get in the mood for considering it. Just over a week ago there was published the financial statement up till the end of May, showing the result of the first five months of the current year. And it was a very encouraging result. On the revenue side, the Government estimated that this year would bring in \$20,407,397, and the actual revenue for the first five months was \$8,399,551, which was better than last year when the figure for the corresponding period was \$8,123,394. If the present rate of income is maintained last year's revenue should be more than equalled and the Government's estimate be amply justified. It is gratifying to know that we have during the past two years got down to bed rock, so to speak, regarding the Colony's income, for it is not reasonable to suppose that we shall go any deeper into the dol-drums than we have been. We have surely passed our worst economic trials and the tendency should be for revenues to increase rather than otherwise. On the expenditure side, the Colony budgeted for a total spending this year of \$22,194,702 or \$1,787,305 more than it estimated to receive. Up to the end of May there had been expended \$7,444,525, as against \$9,167,100 for the corresponding period of the previous year—a considerable reduction. Presuming the rate of expenditure is maintained, then the Government will not succeed in spending up to the figure it estimated, and it is more than likely that the earnings and spendings will more or less balance each other. The greatest reduction has, of course, been made with regard to spendings on Public Works Extraordinary, the sum up to the end of May being only \$328,774 as against \$1,631,398 for the first five months of 1926. Thus, the outlook is by no means discouraging, for we seem to have reached a position (owing to drastic retrenchment) where we are not spending more than we receive.

The provisions of the Budget are always kept secret until the announcement in the Council Chamber, but we imagine that there will be no new taxation proposed. As was announced on Saturday, the Government intends to raise money for special purposes by means of a loan, and in the case of what has been spent up to date on the Shing Mun Valley scheme and the Kai Tak aerodrome the Colony's credit balance should benefit. The money raised by the loan will doubtless be used to reimburse the general funds of the Colony in respect of these two undertakings. The Colony's balance of assets over liabilities on May 31st was \$4,441,816—a small enough sum when it is remembered that a considerable proportion of it cannot be liquidated to meet expenditure. When and if the proposed loan is raised, the balance should automatically jump up by the sum chargeable against the Shing Mun Valley and Kai Tak Aerodrome schemes. The position to-day, summed up, is that on our present rate of expenditure and income we can continue to avoid indebtedness on our current account provided we transfer to special loan accounts the cost of special works. And, after all is said and done, that is not a bad position for any public administration to find itself in.

Franco-British Amity.

A very gracious recognition of the part played by Britain in the war towards liberating France of an invader, comes in the form of the "Book of France" which is to be presented to Sir Austen Chamberlain to-morrow on the occasion of his visit to Paris. It tells of all that was done in what the French people term the fight for freedom, and there are prefaces specially written by prominent statesmen and military commanders of France, which set forth the story of British claims to remembrance. The ties of common sacrifice on the field of battle are emphasised, and the matter becomes one of mutual respect for the other's deeds, and grateful recollection. The gift comes nearly nine years after the signing of the Armistice, but it is appropriate at a time when there is a return to the ideals of the Entente, which appeared a few years ago to be obscured somewhat by unfortunate misunderstandings. It is interesting to observe that one of the contributors to the preface is M. Poincaré, the one-time antagonist of British foreign policy, who declares that "proof has been given in the years that have since elapsed, that the Entente is unalterable." He also states that, while differences as to the carrying out of the peace treaties are inevitable, there is no shadow of difference in the friendship existing between the two nations. This comes at a time, with the Rhine army of occupation controversy, when Britain and France are perhaps not quite seeing eye to eye. That, however, does not alter the genuine regard each has for the other, as emphasised by the French President on his recent historic visit to Britain. When we as a nation are facing unjustified campaigns of detraction carried on with increasing fervour in other parts of the world, this very friendly gesture from the French Government and people comes as a welcome ray in the somewhat shadowy political sky.

DOG SHOOTING.

GOVERNMENT ENQUIRY REQUESTED.

At to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard pursuant to notice will ask the following question: Will the Government cause an enquiry to be held into (a) the circumstances connected with the shooting of dogs at Jardine's Corner, Peak, on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning, the 23rd and 24th July, having due regard to the people using the roads and the necessity or otherwise of such drastic action; (b) the method of enforcing the muzzling regulations and make recommendations for the future?

Messrs. The Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company are distributing to their patrons attractive Oiled-paper fans. One advertising Eagle brand milk, bears a pretty picture of children around a great bowl of goldfish. Another, advertising Lactogen, bears a picture of a philosopher watching children at play.

DAY BY DAY.

WE GROW BROADER, NOT BY SEEING ERROR, BUT BY SEEING MORE AND MORE THE TRUTH.—J. Freeman Clarke.

One Chinese case of small-pox was reported to the Medical Officer of Health over the week-end.

The Full Court will sit to-morrow morning, when reference will be made to the death of Mr. G.R. Haywood.

Among those arriving by the President Jefferson to-day was Mr. A. Brostoff, of the Canadian National Railways.

Probate of the will of Kwong Tak Seung has been granted to his wife, Chan Sam Ah Ng, to whom is left property at 50, Sai Street, Hongkong, valued at \$20,000.

The Chinese steamer Wah Shing from Canton reports being in collision with a junk when approaching Hongkong, minor damage being inflicted. There were no lives lost.

In commemoration of the birthday of Her Majesty Queen-Williamina, the Netherlands Consul will be at home on Wednesday, August 31, between 11.30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The silk forwarded from here by "Empress of Canada," on the 3rd August arrived in New York (St. John's Park) on the 25th August, having been 22 days in transit.

Mr. P. P. J. Wadehouse, C.I.E., and Mrs. Wadehouse are proceeding to Singapore, per R. and O. s.s. "Morea," on 3rd September. They are returning to Hongkong per P. and O. s.s. "Nyanza," which is due here about 21st September.

Both the World and the Star are showing outdoor pictures in the new programmes which begin to-day. The picture at the World is "Bustin' Through" in which Jack Hoxie plays a cowboy role with customary dash, and the picture at the Star is "The Chechakos," the story of a great gold rush which has the distinction of being the only movie play made entirely in Alaska. Both pictures are very exciting.

The death of five ducks, due to over-crowding of two crates, led to the conviction and imposition of a fine of \$7, each, by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, on two Chinese farmers of Cheung Kwan O, who had brought eighteen ducks and chickens from Taiipo to Yau-mat. The defendants were arrested by Mr. F. J. O'Brien, Inspector of the S.P.C.A., on arrival at the Yau-mat Railway Station. In the two crates were altogether 22 fowls, while five of the ducks were dead. According to Sub-Inspector Dick, the fowls were so over-crowded that even three crates of that size used would have been insufficient for the 22 fowls.

CHUNG HING ACCIDENT.

PARCELS OF MONEY FOUND.

With reference to the recent sinking of the s.s. Chung Hing, the Hongkong-Kowloon boat, the vernacular press states that in the shallow water where the boat foundered four parcels of money, of \$1,000, \$1,600, \$1,400 and \$1,000 each, have been recovered. This money has now been returned to its respective owners who, upon the hearing of this unexpected news, gladly agreed to pay part of it to the charity fund for compensating the families of the men who lost their lives. The report adds that the damage to the cargo is estimated at \$50,000.

THURSDAY'S COUNCIL MEETING.

A FULL AGENDA.

There is a full agenda for consideration of the Legislative Council at its meeting to be held on Thursday afternoon.

In addition to the questions to be asked by the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard and the introduction of the Budget (given elsewhere), the Hon. Attorney General will introduce two new Bills, one being to amend the Asylums Ordinance of 1906, and the other "to enable certain areas to be declared prohibited areas with a view to the protection of afforestation operations." On the agenda also is the moving of the first reading, by the Hon. Colony Secretary, of the Bill "to make provision for a loan of \$5,000,000 for the carrying-out of certain public works."

DISHONEST ROOM BOY.

FOUND \$34 AND KEPT IT.

Lt. H. B. Hilbeck, R.N. charged a room-boy at the Naval Hospital with larceny of \$34, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Police Court, this morning.

In evidence, the complainant said that he had been a patient at the Royal Naval Hospital for some time. On Sunday night he had occasion to look for his tobacco pouch, but in pulling it out of his trousers pocket, he pulled out \$34 in notes as well, which dropped behind the chest of drawers. The hour being late, and as it was possible that other patients in the room might be disturbed if he moved the heavy pieces of furniture, he decided to abandon the search until the following day.

When taking his discharge from Hospital in the morning, he forgot about the money, and was not reminded of it until some hours later when he found he needed it. At the Hospital he sent for the defendant, but it was another man who appeared in response to his call on the bell. The wardmaster, on being informed of the loss of the money from where it had dropped behind the chest of drawers, promised to investigate.

In the afternoon he (complainant) was sent for, and he went to the No. 2 Police Station and identified the defendant who was now held in police custody.

An Indian Sergeant, in charge of the guards at the Naval Hospital, stated that he searched all the room-boys, and found the missing money tucked away in the defendant's right sock.

His Worship, convicted defendant, and imposed a sentence of two months' hard labour on an amended charge of larceny by finding.

MARINE COURT.

QUESTION OF BOARDING A SHIP.

The adjourned case against Ng Tak, a shop coolie, charged with boarding s.s. Hong Peng on Sunday morning without permission of the Commanding Officer, was re-opened at the Marine Court this morning before Lieut.-Commandr. G. F. Hole.

Sergeant Vincent of the Finger Print Department established the previous convictions against accused, he having served one month for assault in November 1920 and one month's imprisonment for a similar offence in May, 1925.

Mr. F. H. Loseby, of Messrs. Lee and Russ, appeared for defendant, but in view of the fact that defendant had pleaded guilty, no steps would be taken at this hearing. Counsel said he would, however, consider certain points of law and if, in the opinion of law officers, he could prove that boarding a vessel without permission could not be construed as an offence under the Ordinances he would apply for a re-hearing of the case.

His Worship replied that if such a case could be proved in Chambers, a re-hearing would be quite in order.

The accused was then sentenced to two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

BOY TOLD HOW TO STEAL.

MAN GAOLED AND YOUTH BIRCHED.

Because he had enticed a boy to steal, an elderly Chinese was sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, on a charge of larceny of two cabbies of Chinese medicine from No. 76, Reclamation Street. Inspector Marks, prosecuting, said that the defendant had brought two small boys from Hongkong, and on arriving in Yau-mat had given one of them five cents to buy sweets, informing him that if he stole a basket of medicine which was outside No. 76, Reclamation Street, he would be given more money.

The boy did as instructed, and handed the medicine to the man. The two were chased and caught, later being turned over to the Police.

While the man was sentenced to four months' hard labour, the boy was ordered to receive eight strokes of the birch, he having a previous conviction for theft.

The Harbour Reports issued this morning—for the past 24 hours—showed 15 arrivals and the same number of departures, with British registering three and two under the respective headings, leaving 67 vessels in harbour, British 26. Tonnage was good, but freights were low with five vessels entering in ballast.

The Very Idea!

"So far as I know that was the only downright lie I ever told, thanks to the good teaching of my Sunday school teacher and my parents. While the memory of that lie, in a way innocently told, has not troubled my conscience much, I have for many years had a desire to try and make it right."

This is a message just received by the secretary of the Bingley (Yorks) Cricket Club enclosing 2s. 1d., representing the unpaid admission fee of a boy to one of the club's matches 50 years ago.

Three boys were admitted free on the assumption that they were sons of a patron. The sender of the money was not.

The sender requests that if the club has no fund to which the money can be given it should be handed over to a children's home.

For the fourth time in succession Mrs. Mourisse, of Waterloo, has given birth to twins. Only one of eight children has died.

Old Sandy, the shepherd, was very proud when his son won a scholarship, and told the news to all his friends and neighbours.

Walking down a lane one day, he was accosted by another shepherd, who stopped for a chat.

"Hoo's yer liddle gettin' on at the College?" inquired his friend.

"Oh, fine!" was Sandy's reply. "He's just learnt a quick, new way to count sheep. It's a wonder you an' me didn't think o' it before."

"An' what is that, Sandy?" asked the other shepherd.

"He jist counts their legs and devides by fower!"

Bow landlord: When I arrived home the house was in a state of civil war, with broken crockery in the trenches.

Girl at Bow County Court: I am one of those "flappers." I stay at home and look after mother's family of eight.

West Ham magistrate: Do you run straight when you are drunk? Man: It depends on how drunk you are.

Mr. Cairns, Thames magistrate, to a young man who complained of his wife: Look here, my boy, I can't manage your wife. One is enough for any ordinary man. I am not going to take on yours.

Policeman at Lambeth: The prisoner is a member of the plum-coloured suit brigade of Camberwell, and people are afraid of them.

Prohibition spells disaster wherever it goes.—Sir William Arbuthnot Lane.

I think the lower classes are very much better dancers than the higher classes.—Miss Josephine Bradley.

I always take with a great deal of salt the stories that men won't look for work.—Mrs. Silva White. The balance of power as regards the voting strength of the country is going to lie with the youth of the country.—Lord Stanley. (Quoted by the Daily Sketch.)

Play at the football match was very exciting, and the referee had great difficulty with some of the players, one of whom he eventually ordered off. After this, every time the referee gave a decision a small boy kept calling out derisively, "Pit him off the ground. Jump on his chest. He canna referee for nuts."

An old gentleman who happened to be standing close to the boy turned to him and said—"My boy, you must not speak like that. Your father would be angry if he heard you using that language."

"Gae wa, ye auld bletherer," scornfully retorted the boy, "yon wis ma father that wis put off the field for swearing at the referee."

"A sailor was killed at Galfport when he came into contact with a live wife."—American paper.

Sandy, a kirk elder in a small northern town in Scotland, consulted the doctor about the state of his health. When told by the physician that he had a floating kidney, so worried was he that he asked the minister to pray for him in church on the following Sunday.

"Am nae sae sure that at the mention of a floating kidney the congregation might laugh," the minister told him.

"Ah see naethin' to laugh at," replied Sandy. "Last week ye prayed for loose livers."

This is a sentence from a serial—

"Sometimes they wandered from the forest, intent on replenishing their commissariat department. 'I said to a man, "Why not say to get food,"' and he replied, "That would not be writing!"

I can see two or three other swallows on the horizon.—Mr. Lloyd George.

COLONY'S WATER.

RESERVOIR SITES CONSIDERED.

DISTILLING PLANT MOOTED.

The references in the draft Loan Ordinance to provision for the waterworks of the Colony, draw attention to one of the most urgent considerations, as regards public welfare, that the authorities have to face. It will be recalled that, only a few years ago, there was a succession of comparatively dry seasons which necessitated the introduction of water rationing, and this was a great hardship to the poorer classes, besides being an inconvenience to nearly the whole population. It drew attention more urgently to the water supply problem, and emphasised the need for an increased number of reservoirs on both sides of the harbour. Practically, public interest in the subject was really roused about four or five years ago.

Since then, there have been certain improvements. On the island, catchment areas have been extended, and a few small reservoirs are near completion here and there, such as at the head of Happy Valley, but these are hardly to be classed in the category of water works designed to meet an extensive need.

The peninsula has had more on which to congratulate itself, owing to the ease with which certain physical features lend themselves to utilisation. The Shing Mun Valley scheme, estimated at the time of its introduction about four years ago to cost, eventually, approximately \$17,000,000 and to require about 13 years for completion, has been considerably curtailed, owing to the needs of economy, but the preliminary idea has been carried out, and for this a large part of the proposed loan is intended. There has also been the appreciable extension of the flow into Kowloon Reservoir, by the construction of the small impounding area at Sheklai, where an elevated village was razed and then submerged when a dam was thrown across the lower end of a small valley. The writer was present at part of the operations in connection therewith, and recalls that the scheme at Sheklai was regarded as a mere nothing to all that it was planned would be done in Shing Mun.

The Shing Mun Scheme. Briefly, it may be remarked, the Shing Mun scheme, in its entirety, was to comprise the tapping of the river flowing through that very picturesque valley, with eventually several reservoirs, one of which would have entailed the submergence of a village; and there was also to be a pipe line across the harbour, bringing the surplus water to Hongkong. In its broadest aspect, however, the Shing Mun scheme is essentially regarded, in official quarters, as mainly intended for Kowloon and the New Territories, so that in the event of the peninsula developing in future years into a very populous district, the island would have to give up its "tapped" supply across the harbour, and resort to its own reservoirs. That time was naturally looked upon as not likely to arrive for a good many years yet, so the final Shing Mun plan was a pipeline supply to Hongkong, which would have removed all apprehensions of a water famine, for a long time to come.

The major project having been postponed indefinitely, it is interesting to refer to what has actually been done. The only part of the scheme to be taken in hand for the present is the tapping of the Shing Mun river, by means of a diversion of some of its waters into a conduit and tunnels, by which the water is brought to Kowloon peninsula.

So Kowloon is now adequately catered for. The island, however, still has to depend on the water caught in its own reservoirs and thus there must be some early provision in this direction. It will not be out of place to discuss briefly the drawbacks from which Hongkong suffers in the case of its water supply. There are two marked weather phases—wet season extending over the summer and typhoon months and the early autumn, and a dry period, roughly, lasting from November to March. When it rains heavily here it does so with a vengeance, and then, in a single twenty-four hour period, one can see half-empty reservoirs filled to overflowing. One can also see numerous streams running to waste, millions of gallons being lost in the sea; and in the case of the overflows from the reservoirs, this is a regrettable loss of water which may be urgently required later. The problem is, then, to preserve as much as possible of this surplus; and in this connection there is at present an enquiry being conducted by the authorities immediately concerned.

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VISCOUNT CECIL'S RESIGNATION.

DISAGREES WITH POLICY ON DISARMAMENT.

NAVAL PARLEY RECALLED.

London, Aug. 29. The newspapers state that as a result of Viscount Cecil's talk with Mr. Baldwin, yesterday evening, he (Lord Cecil) has agreed to defer his resignation until Mr. Baldwin returns from the Continent.—*Reuter.*

[This has reference to a report last week that Lord Cecil intended resigning owing to differences in the Cabinet regarding the League of Nations.]

Viscount Cecil has resigned from the Cabinet.

It was announced definitely this afternoon that Lord Cecil had confirmed his resignation from the Cabinet on the ground of dissatisfaction with the course of its policy on disarmament. Lord Cecil therefore will not go to Geneva.

Letter to the Premier.

Lord Cecil's letter to Mr. Baldwin emphasises that his resignation is in no way due to any personal difficulty. On the contrary, he pays tributes to his colleagues for their kindness and consideration. "Least of all have I any grievance against Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, with whom I have worked in the closest agreement at Geneva," but on the broad policy of disarmament the majority of the Cabinet and himself had not really agreed.

He expresses the opinion that the limitation of armaments is the most important public question of the day and that the chief energies of the Government ought to be concentrated on this. Lord Cecil also alludes to the spring session of the preparatory disarmament conference, when he was compelled repeatedly to maintain propositions which were difficult to reconcile with a serious desire for success. Nevertheless he went to the recent conference believing that an agreement could be reached. Unfortunately, failure followed, and the causes for this may have to be probed when Parliament meets. In the meantime it is sufficient to say that he is out of sympathy with the instructions he received, and he believes an agreement might have been reached on terms which would have sacrificed no essential British interest.

Mr. Baldwin's Reply.

Mr. Baldwin, in the course of a letter accepting Lord Cecil's resignation, is of the opinion that Lord Cecil exaggerates any differences that have arisen, whether recently or in earlier days, in the Government, and cites a passage in the speech by Sir Austen Chamberlain at Geneva, shortly after the Government came to office, dwelling on the sympathy with peace ideals of the British Empire, as to which successive British administrations, with the full approval of the Dominions, had not only favoured arbitration theoretically but had also availed themselves of this in a practical manner, and had disarmed to the limits of national safety.

The Premier emphasises that this policy does not differ materially from Lord Cecil's, and whatever differences have arisen do not relate to the broad policy of peace disarmament so much as on the means whereby this policy may effectively be forwarded.

The Naval Controversy.

As regards the preparatory commission, the Premier says, "You presided over a sub-committee which was preparing the British case, and practically drafted your own instructions."

Mr. Baldwin at present refrains from entering into details of the naval conference, but repeats that Lord Cecil exaggerates whatever differences existed, and denies that the Government is to be blamed in connection with the breakdown. On the contrary, it worked for a compromise to the last, and refused to share Lord Cecil's pessimism.

He quotes the progress made in other if less ambitious methods, like the Washington conference, Locarno treaty, and settlement with Turkey, all of which had led to a measure of disarmament. He points out that Britain's expenditure on armaments has fallen each year, and hopes that even the recent naval conference may yet result not only in an early reduction of naval expenditure, but ultimately in a better understanding of each other's problems.

Mr. Baldwin acknowledges that the difficulties are many and great, but that is no reason for throwing up the sponge. It is a task for statesmen to learn from failure no less than from success, especially in this age-long problem, which hitherto has baffled all efforts at a permanent solution.—*Reuter.*

SHARE DEALING.

QUESTION OF BOOKS AND ACCOUNTS.

LOCAL BROKER'S CLAIM.

The share case in which Mr. M. A. Razack, the local share-broker, claims \$33,818.98 from Mr. F. N. Cooper, was continued before the acting Chief Justice, Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Supreme Court this morning, when the plaintiff was again cross-examined by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, counsel for the defendant.

Plaintiff was questioned about the sum of \$1,730, which he alleged became due on May 1, 1925. Mr. Jenkin suggested that witness got into a heat on June 23 and decided to "sub Mr. Cooper" for the balance due on the April settlement account, and asked witness which book he referred to when he wanted to find the balance due.

Witness referred to several account books and said eventually that he did not know which book the account was shown in, owing to the fact that his brother had charge of them. The account must have been shown in the bad and doubtful debtors' account book, although there must be references to it elsewhere. Pressed, plaintiff agreed that the book handed to him by counsel contained the only account showing that there was a balance of \$7,925 due from Mr. Cooper.

Annoyed by a Letter.

Mr. Jenkin: Therefore, on June 23 when you told your brother you were going to sue Mr. Cooper, it would be to that book that you would look for the figures?—Yes, the bad and doubtful debt book.

You were in a particular rage with Mr. Cooper on June 23 when you made up your mind to sue him for every indebtedness to you?—On that day I asked my brother to get me the April account.

I put it to you that you did not ask your solicitor to make any claim in connection with the \$1,730, because it was not due?—It was due, I am not here to tell lies. I am here to tell the truth and all I can remember. I had forgotten that amount at the time.

When Mr. Cooper through his solicitors, denied that he owed anything for the Tramway shares, which meant that he was repudiating an item of \$20,000, that letter must have made you extremely angry with Mr. Cooper?—I did not see it until the next day.

It was shown to you by Mr. Ar-culli and he took your instructions?—Yes.

That attitude of Mr. Cooper must have made you quite mad with him?—Yes, I was rather annoyed over it.

Did you get into a towering rage about it?—Well, not that exactly.

A Forgotten Item.

Again referring to the item of \$1,730, Mr. Jenkin asked why plaintiff did not instruct Mr. Ar-culli to sue for it. Witness said he did not recollect the item until he went into the accounts.

He went to further questions about the books, plaintiff said he was unable to explain certain alterations. He had found that his brother did not keep the books properly, and he then employed an accountant to go through them. That accountant died about three months ago. He had been told to provide witness with a statement of his general financial position.

Still further questioned about the books Mr. Razack said "I know nothing about them. I left them to my brother."

Mr. Jenkin: There is nothing very complicated about them apparently.

Mr. Jenkin: Is there any record of Mr. Cooper having paid you \$4,000 and \$1,000?—I can't find it, but we gave him a receipt.

Have you the counterfoil of the receipt book?—I understand it was lost when my solicitor moved his office.

"Rotten System."

Mr. Jenkin: There is no other record? It is curious, is it not? It is a rotten system of accounting, isn't it? You agree with me?—Yes, I agree.

Mr. Jenkin pointed out that the method of entering Mr. Cooper's account differed with that of others, and said that in every other case the books showed the balance due. He suggested that certain entries in connection with Mr. Cooper's account had been put in recently.

Mr. Razack: Oh no, they haven't. Nothing of the kind.

Mr. Jenkin: Our case is that \$27,000 was taken for quick settlement, and I suggest that that is consistent with no balance being shown as outstanding. I think you will agree with me when I say that the account shown in the book is unique, that is stands out by itself as different to all the others?

IN CANTON FROM DAY TO DAY.

"RUN" ON THE CENTRAL BANK CONTINUES.

ANTI-JAPANESE INCIDENT.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, Aug. 29.

Officials of the Ministry of Finance are making frantic efforts to restore the credit of the Central Bank of China, the "run" on which is still continuing. Large crowds are besieging the Bank and its branches, attempting to redeem its notes. On account of the large number of people demanding specie or coins, the Bank now permits one person to cash not more than \$300 in one day.

It is understood that negotiations are still going on between Treasury officials and merchants for a loan of \$3,000,000 in order to strengthen public faith in these bank-notes. The Government officials declare that they can easily restore the credit of the Bank.

Defence of Eastern Districts.

The "Iron General," Cheung Fat-fui, has sent his vice-commander to Canton to form a new Army for the defence of the Eastern districts, in view of the approaching "Red" forces of General Yip-ting. In an interview, Cheung Fat-fui's representative denied that the general had ever accepted Soviet doctrines, but he strongly disapproved of the "one-man show" of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

Immediately upon his return from Kwangsi, General Li Chai-sum, it is understood, ordered several divisions of troops on the Northern border to get ready to be moved to the Eastern districts where Communist movements are active. It is generally believed that the present regime in Canton will remain in power for some time, provided the "Reds" in the North, East, and South are suppressed or eliminated.

Japanese Complaints.

The Japanese Consul General in Canton has lodged a complaint with the police authorities against anti-Japanese demonstrations which have occurred in Honam and Fong Chuen and in which his compatriots suffered losses and personal insults. Japanese women, it is stated, were jeered at by several Chinese youths and a tennis court belonging to a Japanese Society was invaded and a bamboo partition broken.

It is said that in some instances these anti-Japanese demonstrations were participated in by men in soldiers' uniforms. Upon receipt of this complaint, the police in No. 12 sub-police station have been ordered to keep a sharp look-out for trouble makers.

Cadets Return.

A battalion of the Whampoa Cadets arrived here from Shanghai yesterday. They were recently despatched to Nanking to take part in the Shantung campaign, but since Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has given up his post as Commander-in-Chief, these Cadets were no longer required by the ex-Nanking Generalissimo.

Speaking at Chippenham, Wiltshire, Lord Methuen said: Recently at the Blenheim and Harrow match I was sitting between the Prime Minister and Lord Rudnor. I said to the Prime Minister, "My heart rather fails me sometimes because I do not attend to my duties in the House of Lords as I ought to." I am one of the back-woodsmen."

Mr. Baldwin replied, "Take my word, you people in the country are doing far better and more useful work as back-woodsmen than you would be attending divisions in the House of Lords."

Boosted Figures?

Mr. Razack said he did not agree, and Mr. Jenkin invited him to point out a similar account. Asked again if it was unique, Mr. Razack did not answer, and in reply to further questions whether it showed a balance outstanding or not, said he did not know, as his brother kept the books.

In connection with an item of \$430, Mr. Jenkin suggested that plaintiff had been endeavouring to account for the difference by calculating brokerage and stamp duty and that he had failed to account for it, then. Mr. Razack agreed that he had tried to account for the sum by brokerage and stamp duty.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that you were boosting the figures and trying to get them up to \$430. Two weeks ago you had no explanation at all, and now you come into Court and say that you told your brother to waive the \$430.

Witness admitted telling his brother that.

The case is proceeding.

HANKOW PROBLEM.

A VERY GRAVE FOOD SHORTAGE.

DRIFTING INTO PERIL.

The food shortage in Hankow has now become a matter of deep concern to the foreign community who are compelled to reside here. For months past residents have had to remain in exasperating helplessness and watch prices continuously on the up grade, soar to heights which now render it almost impossible to live on salaries which a year ago were in the majority of cases ample for the requirements of decent existence. The past six months has seen an increase ranging from 100 to 400 per cent in practically every commodity. Storekeepers informed customers that the rise was due to the first place to increased taxation. When the proportion as between the rise and the extent of extra taxation was demonstrated, it was due to the difficulty of renewing supplies, later it was ascribed to the terrible handling costs by coolies and still later to exchange difficulties.

Careful observation taken of the whole position by purchasers has revealed the fact that storekeepers have not scrupled to utilise the excuse offered by a depreciated currency to plunder all and sundry among the foreigners who have had no option but to submit to the extortion. A rise of 200% in one article ascribed to the currency, was on silver being offered reduced by twenty per cent only, with the grounds that the possession of silver was illegal, that it could not be used for purchasing on account of the embargo, and that to replace the article would cost more than the 200% objected to. At the moment Hankow is suffering from a dearth of almost everything edible outside of tinned meat. No vegetables are coming into the market, no fish, no fruit, a few eggs may be purchased surreptitiously by old customers by private arrangement, and what fresh meat there is has to be killed secretly, is liable to be raided at any time, and we are meatless.

Gradual Growth.

This is not a sudden climax. Most people have been watching the approach of the present position for weeks, and we have been more than surprised to find that no one has bestirred themselves to arouse the foreign authorities to action. So long as the boy is capable of producing something from a tin for their consumption, they appear to be content until the bills come in. Months ago certain Britishers were stirred to action by the community and stocks of tinned foods were laid in. These are now being heavily drawn upon, not by British residents only but all in the port, and whether these stores were originally purchased for the benefit of those who subscribed to the fund alone makes no difference to the issue, the fact remains that they will have to be and are being distributed to whatever foreigners require them. One or two meatless days a week harm nobody, but it is not this that the people of Hankow are faced with, unless prompt action is taken. It is a complete dearth of practical.

(Continued on Page 11.)

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

1. Why is Simon de Montfort famous in the history of our Parliament?
2. In whose reign did the Friars come to England, what were their chief orders, and how were they recognisable by their dress?
3. Who was the "Maid of Norway"?
4. Who was the first son of a King of England to bear the title of Prince of Wales, and why?
5. At what battle and under whom did the Scots defeat what English king in 1314?
6. What were the three great English victories in the Hundred Years' War with France with dates, and to what weapon did the English chiefly owe their success?
7. What were the two famous plague epidemics in England?
8. Who said, and on what occasion, "I am your captain and your king. Follow me!"
9. Why is Wicliffe famous in the history of the English Church, and what were his followers called?
10. The "Wars of the Roses," why were they so called?
11. What King of England, in what year, was crowned by whom, on what battlefield, with a crown found in a thorn bush belonging to what other king?
12. How were the crops cultivated under the three-field system?

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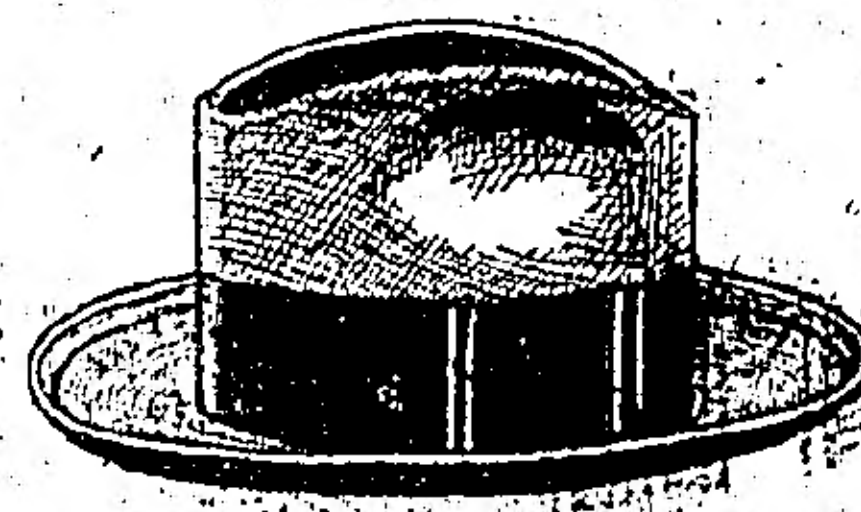
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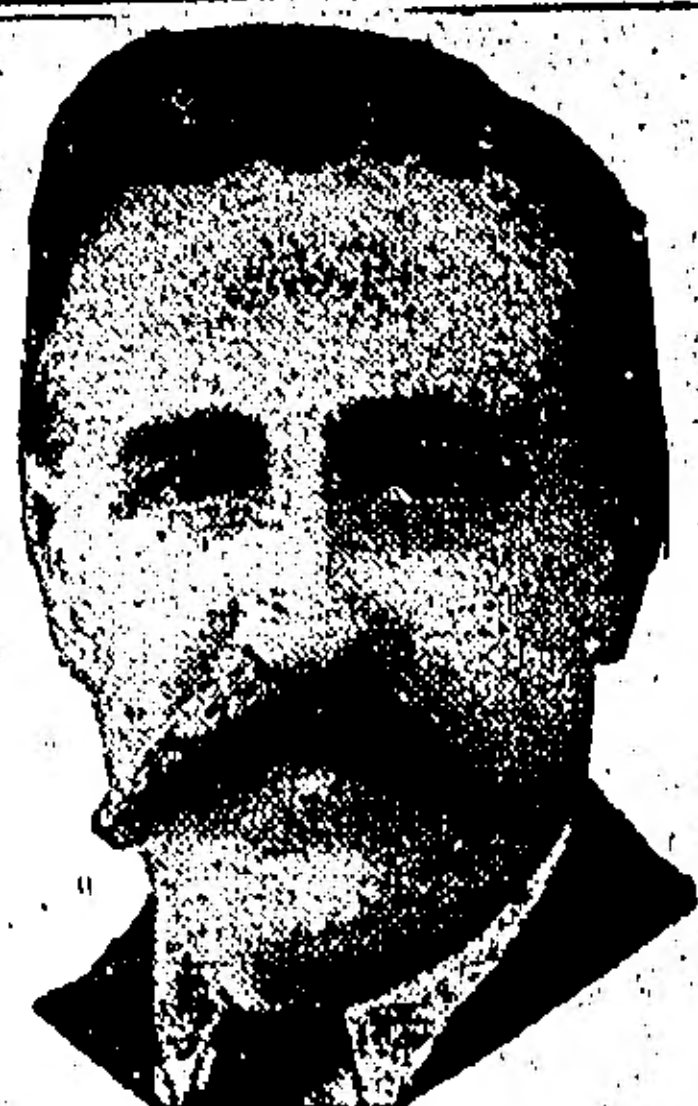
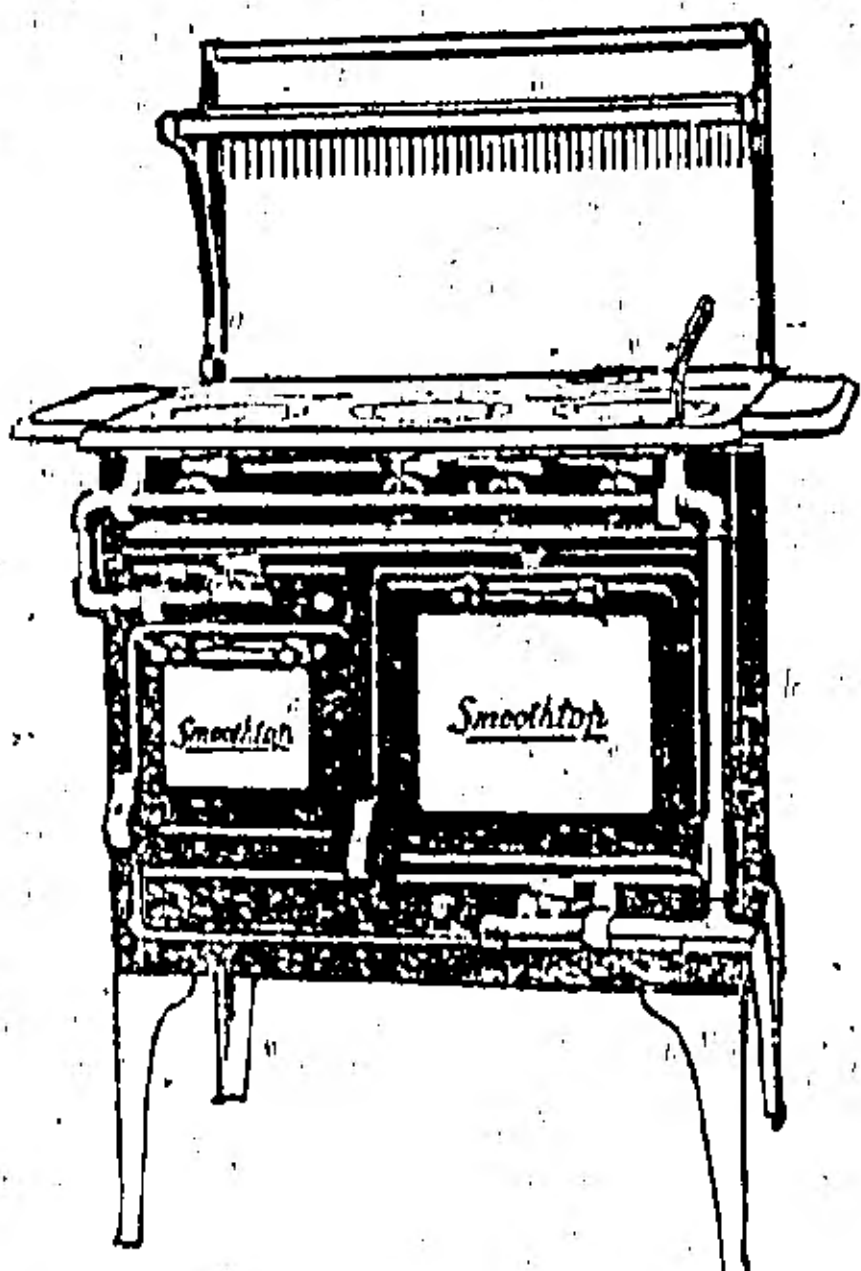
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HOME FOOTBALL.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

London, Aug. 29.
Following the opening of the football season on Saturday a number of games were played to-day, a feature being the high scoring in several matches. In the Second Division both Manchester City and Notts Forest scored seven goals when playing at home, and in the Southern Section of the Third Division, Millwall, with Torquay, newcomers to the League, as opposition, scored nine times. Swindon beat Coventry by six clear goals. Results of to-day's matches are as follow:

Division I.		
Birmingham	3	Huddersfield 1
Leicester	3	Sheffield U. 1
Wednesday	0	Manchester U. 2
Division II.		
Blackpool	1	Oldham 2
Clapton	2	Southampton 0
Leeds	2	Barnsley 0
Manchester C.	7	Swansea 0
Notts. F.	7	Fulham 4
Preston	4	Hull 2
Division III (South).		
Brentford	3	Northampton 0
Crystal Pal.	2	Exeter 0
Luton	1	Norwich 0
Murthyr	0	Charlton 0
Millwall	9	Torquay 1
Swindon	6	Coventry 0
Walsall	2	Watford 0
Division III (North).		
Ashington	0	Crowe 2
Chesham	4	Durham 2
Hull	5	Barrow 1
Lincoln	4	Wigan 1
Rotherham	2	Tramere 1

SHANGHAI FOOTBALL.

AFFILIATED WITH HOME.

London, Aug. 30.
The Shanghai Football Association has been admitted to membership of the Football Association.—*Reuter.*

Sir Archibald, Sinclair asked in Parliament recently whether the Prime Minister would direct a systematic survey of the whole country in order that information should be available as to the amount of waste land that could profitably be planted with trees. Mr. R. McNeill, replying, said the future policy of the Government in regard to afforestation was under consideration, but personally, as a representative of the Treasury, he should deprecate embarking on such an enterprise as the hon. member suggested, the usefulness of which he should think was very problematical.

"OUR BETTY."

REACHES FINAL IN U. S.

Forest Hills, Aug. 30.
Miss Betty Nuthall has entered the final by defeating Mrs. Chapin 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.

Miss Nuthall received an ovation for her ball control throughout the match, there being only one momentary lapse when she made four double faults in the second set. Her deadly placing was exhilarating and her most effective smashing, rounded off a fine sequence of winning strokes. "Mrs. Chapin, who is a most experienced player, won as many points from Betty's lapses as from her own efforts."

Miss Helen Wills beat Miss Helen Jacobs 6-0, 6-2.—*Reuter's American Service.*

[Miss Nuthall was the only British player left in the National Tennis Championship. She fought her way into the semi-final by beating Miss Eleanor Goss, and now, as a result of her win over Miss Chapin, she will meet Miss Wills in the final.]

British Progress.

Forest Hill, later.
In the doubles, Miss Betty Nuthall and Miss Joan Fry beat Miss Sterry and Miss Hill, 6-3, 6-3. Miss Chapin and Miss Eleanor Goss entered the semi-finals, by beating Miss Eileen Bennett and Miss Helen Jacobs, 6-4, 6-0.

In the semi-finals, Mrs. Godfree and Miss Harvey beat Miss Eleanor Goss and Miss Chapin, 6-4, 7-5.—*Reuter's American Service.*

HAROLD LLOYD.

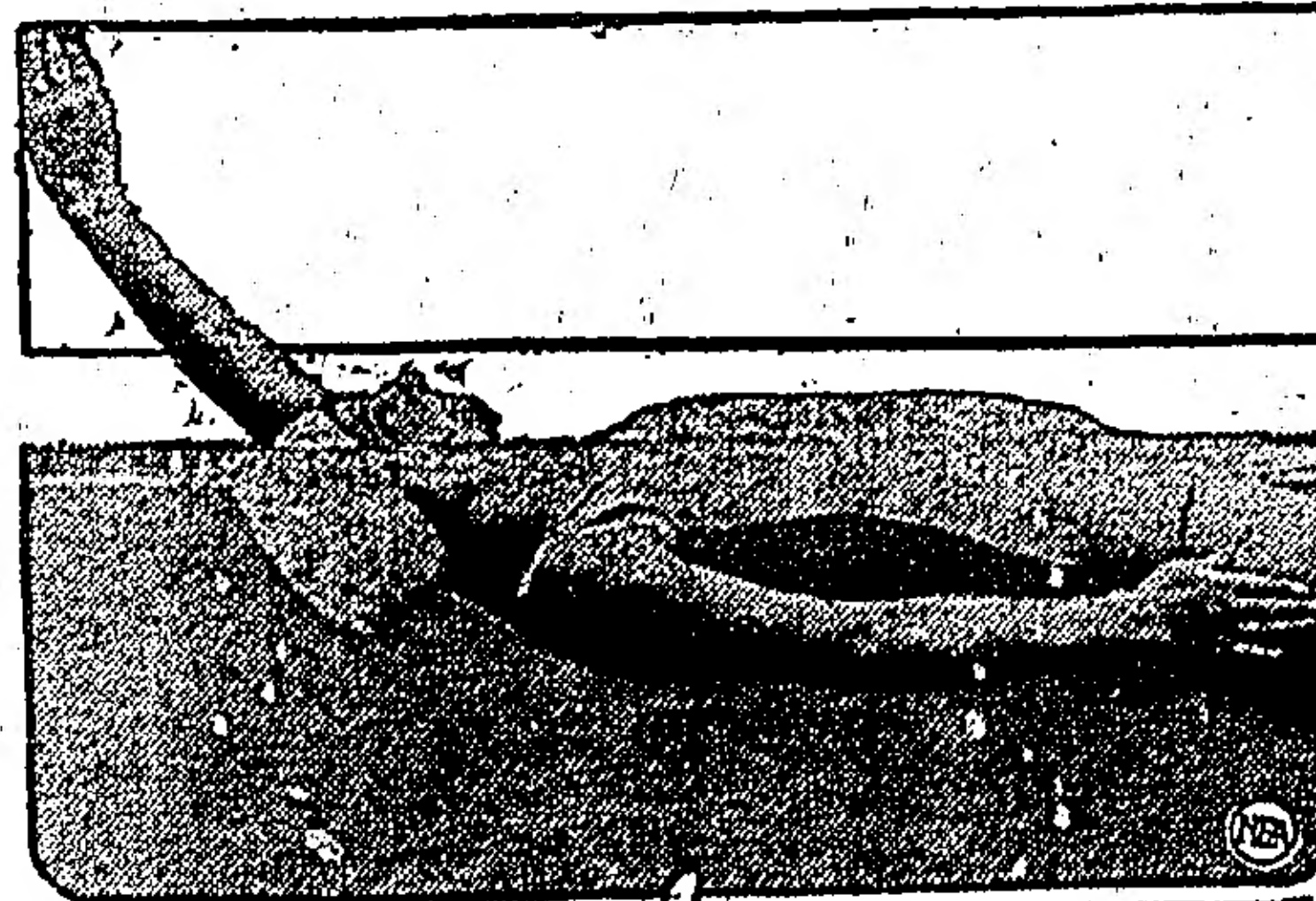
"FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE" AT THE QUEEN'S.

Returning to the Queen's Theatre as the fifth of the revival nights' pictures, Harold Lloyd's great comedy, "For Heaven's Sake" is sure to receive a cordial welcome to-day and to-morrow when it will be the feature attraction at the Colony's principal cinema.

In "For Heaven's Sake" Harold Lloyd is a bored young millionaire who suddenly finds himself swept off his feet by a series of astonishing events in the tougher regions of New York. The picture is delightfully funny and it has at least one big thrill. Interesting events included in the topical gazette showing in the same programme are the recent visit of the King and Queen to Glasgow to open the new King George V bridge across the Clyde and the visit of the Fleet to Plymouth.

SWIMMING SIMPLIFIED.

RELAX ON BACK, LYING IN WATER, IS FIRST STEP IN BACK CRAWL.



To learn the back crawl, recognized as the standard stroke for swimming on the back, the swimmer must first learn to lie on his back and relax. This will immediately prove the buoyancy of the body in the water.

With the body afloat, begin the kick. This is just like the kick in the crawl, but allow less play from the hips to knees, making the leg movements chiefly with the lower part of the legs.

After getting the legs in motion, pass to the arm-stroke. The arms travel around in a semi-circular fashion always, one counter-balancing the position of the other.

Relax, turn the thumbs down on the recovery, bend the elbow and draw elbow first until elbow passes head, then reach hand straight over the shoulder and pull about three-quarters side. Carry other arm through recovery as drive is made. Keep working hard at the kick and don't endeavour to make too much speed.

The breathing and the counter roll are the same as in the crawl stroke. Relaxation is what makes the stroke. In the back stroke, the mouth will always be above the surface. If your position is good, you may breathe in and out at any time, but if you space the breathing with the movements of the arm, as in the crawl, it will be better for the general rhythm of the stroke.

"TELEGRAPH" FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

PRIZE OF \$50 WEEKLY FOR EASY FORECASTS.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English and Scottish Football League matches (to be played on Saturday next, September 3rd.) set out in the Coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided.

Read the Rules below and follow them carefully:—

Rules of Competition.

1. All forecasts must be contained on coupons cut from the "Hongkong Telegraph," the name and address of the entrant to be plainly printed in block letters in ink.

2. All envelopes must be addressed to the "Hongkong Telegraph," 1/3, Wyndham Street, and marked "Football Competition" on the front, with sender's name (without address) on the back.

3. Any number of attempts may be sent in, but a separate coupon must be used for each attempt.

4. The prize of \$50 will be awarded to the competitor who sends in twelve correct forecasts on one coupon. If there is no correct forecast of all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be awarded to the competitor who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts on one coupon. In the event of more than one competitor forwarding an equal winning number of forecasts, the \$25 will be divided equally between such competitors. No competitor, however, will be entitled to more than one share of the prize.

5. All forecast coupons must reach the "Telegraph" office not later than 12 o'clock (noon) on Saturdays. Coupons received after that time will be disqualified.

6. The results of each week's Competition will be announced in the "Telegraph" of the Fridays following the dates on which the matches are played.

7. Competitors who have forwarded eight or more correct forecasts must send in claims for the prize. Envelopes containing such claims must be marked "Football Claim" and must reach this office not later than the Wednesday following the date on which the matches are played, failing which they will not be considered. No prize will be awarded for which a claim has not been made.

8. The "Telegraph" will accept no responsibility for the loss or non-delivery of coupons. No correspondence or interviews will be entered into concerning this Competition.

MARK YOUR ENVELOPES "FOOTBALL" ON THE FRONT, AND WRITE YOUR NAME (WITHOUT ADDRESS) ON THE BACK OF THE ENVELOPE.

Strike out the teams which you think will lose, but make no marks in respect of matches which you think will be drawn. If you forecast eight or more results correctly on one coupon, don't forget to make a claim not later than the Wednesday following. Watch the "Telegraph" on Fridays for results.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

MORE EFFICIENTS.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police.

Training—Part I.

The following Police Reservists have been passed out as efficient in Part I of Training Course: Chinese Company.—Cr. Sergt. R5 Wong Shiu-pun, Constables R10 Edward Way, R12 Diam S. K. Chan, R43 Tso Chi-on.

Indian Company.—Constables R202 M. Abdullah, R203 Abdul aziz, R204 Abdul Karim, R211 Awtar Singh, R213 Bhagat Singh, R215 Fazal Mohamad, R218 Ghulam Mohamad, R230 H. N. Mehal, R231 W. M. Mehal, R240 Sohan Singh, R242 Taj Mohamad Khan.

Police Training School.

The advanced members of both Chinese and Indian Companies will attend at the Police Training School, Bonham Road, at 5.30 p.m. sharp on Thursday, 1st September and Tuesday, 6th September for instruction in Police duties and regulations by Inspector H. J. Paterson. Every member attending will bring his Instruction Book with him.

Parades.

All recruits will parade in Mufti at the Central Police Station for Squad Drill and Rifle Exercises under Sergt. R. J. Hunt at 5.30 p.m. sharp as follows:

Chinese Company on Thursday, 1st September and Tuesday, 6th September.

Indian Company on Friday, 2nd September and Monday, 5th September.

(Sgd.) G. B. Hartford,
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Adjutant.

An amendment to the British Territorial Army Regulations provides that all ranks will attend givine service at annual training in camp, but no officer or man will be obliged to attend the service of any religious body other than his own.

OUR FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

ERROR IN YESTERDAY'S COUPON.

We very much regret that in the coupon published yesterday in connexion with our Football Competition there were only ten matches given, instead of twelve matches as intended.

The two missing matches were in the Third Division (North) and will be found included in to-day's coupon. In order that competitors shall have correct coupons for the correct number of days we are publishing an extra coupon to-day to take the place of the incorrect one given yesterday.

Don't use yesterday's coupon, but use the extra one (giving all twelve matches) found below.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" FORECAST COMPETITION.

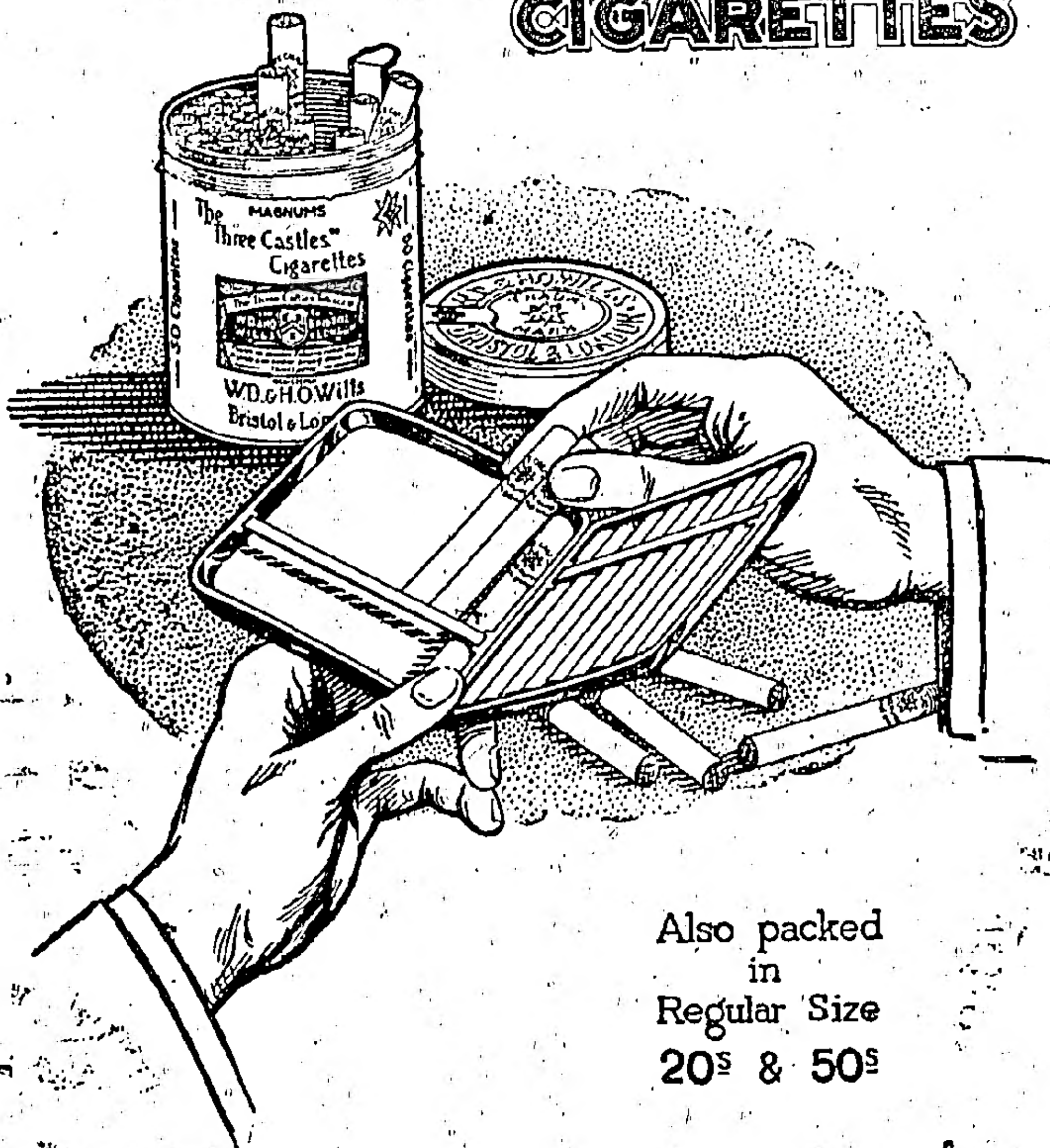
Matches to be played on September 3rd:—

DIVISION I.		
Leicester	v	Sunderland.
Liverpool	v	Aston Villa.
Newcastle	v	Tottenham.
DIVISION II.		
Clapton	v	Reading.
Notts. F.	v	S. Shields.
DIVISION III. (SOUTH).		
Crystal P.	v	Northampton.
Newport	v	Brighton.
DIVISION III. (NORTH).		
Halifax	v	Chesterfield.
Rochdale	v	Nelson.
SCOTTISH LEAGUE.		
Falkirk	v	Cowdenbeath.
Dundee	v	Partick.
Hamilton	v	Hearts.

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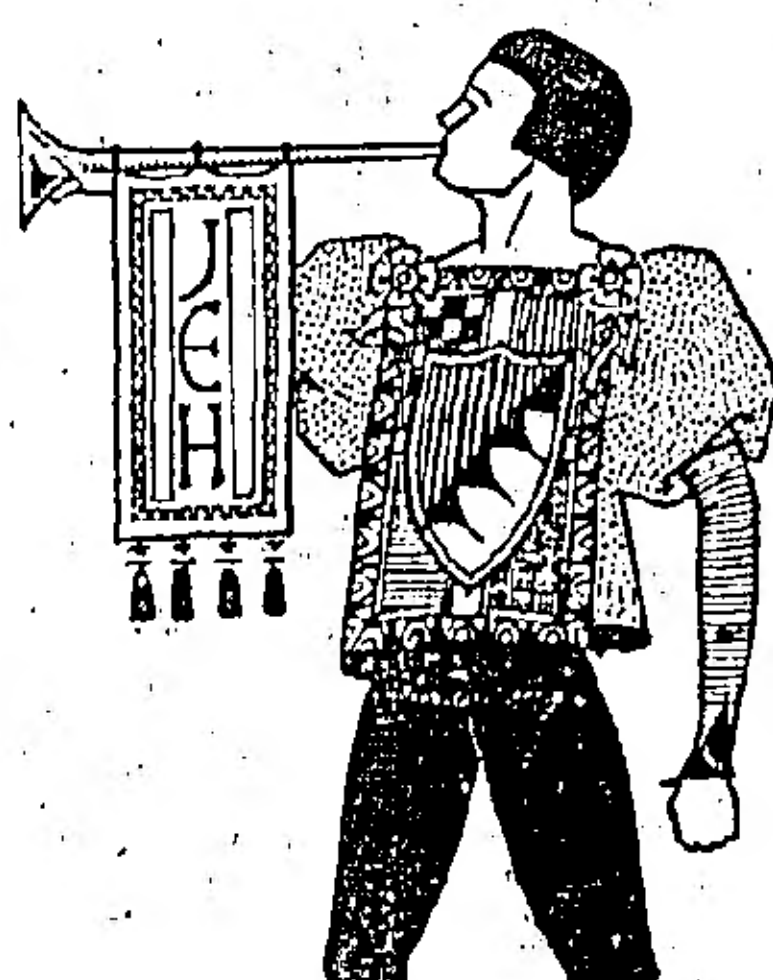
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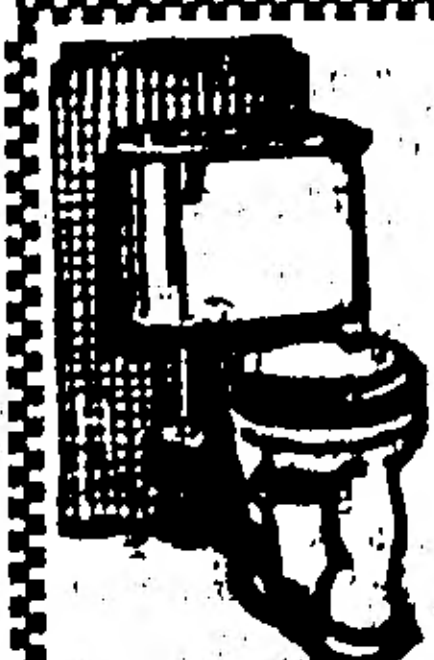


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AYR TRAGEDY AND VERDICT.

WOMAN ACQUITTED OF HOMICIDE.

DAUGHTER'S STORY.

Following dramatic evidence at the High Court at Ayr in mail week, Mrs. Ludgate, who was charged with culpable homicide, was declared not guilty.

The jury was away only eight minutes, and the verdict, when announced, was greeted with applause.

Great public interest was taken in the trial.

The charge bore that on May 6, in the house at 28 Content Avenue, Ayr, she discharged a pistol loaded with ball cartridges at her husband and did shoot him, whereby he was so severely wounded that he died in Ayr County Hospital on May 7, and did kill him.

A special defence was lodged at the pleading diet to the effect that, being in a state of bodily fear and apprehensive of danger to herself and her children, the act done by her was done in defence of herself and her children.

Mr. J. M. Hunter, advocate-depute, appeared for the Crown, and Mr. Craigie Aitchison, K.C., defended. There are over 30 witnesses and 21 productions in the case.

Major Ludgate's D.S.O.

Accompanied by her agent, Mr. Jas. Hillhouse, solicitor, Mrs. Ludgate entered the side door prior to the judge taking his seat. She had been out on bail of £20 for some weeks. Mrs. Ludgate was attired in black, without the veil which she had previously worn.

Dramatic evidence was given by Rosamund Una Ludgate, eldest daughter of the accused, a young woman of 19, who was attired in a white serge two-piece suit and who gave her evidence in a low, cultured voice.

Her father, Major Ludgate, she stated, won the D.S.O. in France, and was thrice mentioned in dispatches. Her father had been drinking heavily, and on the afternoon of the tragedy staggered home very drunk. He did not go out again that night, but continued drinking. He quarrelled with her brother, Desmond, and put him out after assaulting him by hitting him on the head. Witness told Desmond to go and stay the night with his grandmother.

His Lordship—Why did you ask your brother to remain there?

Witness—Because my father was always violent towards Desmond.

The Pistol.

Witness stated that her mother had an automatic pistol and her father had one which he kept in the bedroom. The magazine of her mother's pistol was at the grandmother's in Ayr, and there were cartridges in it. On the morning of the tragedy there were no cartridges for the automatic pistol at Content Avenue.

A day or two before the tragedy her mother asked her if she thought she could get the magazine with the cartridges.

Witness replied that if she thought they would be a protection she could get them. The next she heard about the cartridges was that Felix handed them to her in the evening about 6.30. So far as she remembered, there were five cartridges in the magazine.

Witness put the magazine with the cartridges in her suit case just outside the door of her bedroom. She did not know where the pistol was at that time. She just said to her mother that her brother had brought the magazine.

Prelude to the Tragedy.

Coming down to the period immediately preceding the tragedy, witness told how she was sitting in the sittingroom with her father. The table was between them. She got up to go out of the room, and her father caught hold of her and made an improper suggestion to her. She wrenched herself free, and ran out of the room to the kitchen. After that her father asked her in the kitchen to go out for a walk.

He went on like that the whole time, declared witness, and hit her across the face. She picked up a walking stick to defend herself, and he wrenched it from her, and her mother struck him across the face, with a small brush.

Her father was in a terrible temper, and said he would murder them all. She rushed past him upstairs, and she heard him lurch against the sofa in his room. She thought he was reaching for the revolver which he kept there.

Witness rushed upstairs into a bedroom. She heard her mother run past her into other room. Witness thought she would be going for the cartridges.

All this time her father was shouting at the top of his voice. She saw her mother with the revolver in her hand. She saw her

O'DARE DEFIES THE REGISTRAR.

"ATTEMPTS TO DEFEAT ENDS OF JUSTICE."

In the London Bankruptcy Court in mail week the Registrar adjourned indefinitely the public examination of Josephine O'Dare.

O'Dare, who appeared in the custody of wardresses, again refused to divulge the name of the person from whom she said she had received an allowance.

She said a solicitor at Birmingham had told her to take this course, but she would not disclose her adviser's name.

The Registrar said it was an attempt to defeat the ends of justice, and means would be found of dealing with the solicitor.

Josephine O'Dare failed in May, 1926, and in her account claimed to have a surplus of £7,430 in assets over liabilities.

The examination has stood adjourned, O'Dare having refused on the last occasion to give certain information pending the result of her appeal against the sentence of four and a half years' imprisonment in the criminal proceedings.

Asked Not To Give Name.

Replying to the Official Receiver, she now stated that her application for leave to appeal had been dismissed.

She still declined to give the name of the person who had made her an allowance, saying that a solicitor had told her not to give the information, because it had nothing to do with her creditors.

The Registrar said it was not for the solicitor to take up that stand, and he ordered O'Dare to answer the question, remarking that he would have the solicitor before him in court and deal with him.

O'Dare said it was not the solicitor who undertook her defence, but a Birmingham solicitor who had told her not to give the information.

He had also told her not to divulge his name.

The Official Receiver said that as O'Dare refused to give the information he would not take up the time of the Court, but would ask for the examination to be adjourned sine die.

The Registrar (to O'Dare): You are not prepared to give the name of the solicitor?—No.

"It is an attempt to defeat the ends of justice, and we will find means to deal with him," said the Registrar. "At present your examination is adjourned sine die. When you come out of prison you can apply to have it reinstated in the list."

With a curt "Remove her" to the wardresses, O'Dare left the court.

point it at the south wall of the sittingroom. The pistol just made a click and she heard her mother say—"My God, it won't work."

Heard a Shot.

Her father was swearing the whole time in a room. She heard her mother rush out, and then she heard a shot.

Witness ran back into the box room and stood there for about a second. Her father did not seem to move, and she ran downstairs. She understood that later a bullet was found in her father's buttock.

Answering the Judge, she said she went to the boxroom because she was apprehensive that her father would shoot her.

Examined, Miss Ludgate said she remembered that her father suffered from delirium tremens twice in India, and it was following a second attack that her mother was sent home by the Army doctors.

From an Ayr merchants' account it appeared that accused's bill for whisky and other liquor for two months amounted to over £57. In addition to the liquor which he got from this firm, he obtained it at public houses and brought it in.

Describing her father's conduct at times, witness said he would stand in front of the mirror and make terrible grimaces. Apart from the improper overtures which her father made to her that night, he was very violent towards her and her mother. When her father rushed through to his room, where he kept the revolver, he was shouting—"By God, I will get you now."

It was following upon this that her mother rushed upstairs.

Witness—I do not know who inserted the magazine in the pistol.

Her mother was in a great state of alarm, and her father was still shouting for witness. Her father went into the bedroom where little Sylvia was sleeping. She heard Sylvia scream twice and it was immediately after that that witness heard the shot.

Witness said that after the shooting her mother exclaimed—"My God, I've shot my husband. I had to do it. My daughter was in danger. He was a madman."

HORATIO BOTTOMLEY RELEASED.

CAREER OF A REMARKABLE PERSONALITY.

SENTENCE ENDED.

London, July 29.

Horatio Bottomley was released to-day on the expiry of his sentence.

Horatio Bottomley was editor and proprietor of *John Bull* which achieved the zenith of its popularity during the war. In its own vigorous fashion *John Bull* did much to foster the patriotism of the nation and although its predictions as to the end of the war were, like many others, ridiculously inaccurate it supported the ordinary "Tommy" with spirit and success. Perhaps one of the most audacious headlines in the history of journalism appeared in Mr. Bottomley's paper—"To Hell with Serbia"—and his "God's Stock-taking" was a fine popular war article. His period of imprisonment was the result of his conviction on a charge of manipulating certain stocks, and the greater portion of his sentence has been served at Maidstone. He was M.P. for South Hackney at the time of his conviction, and just after the Armistice had attained a certain reputation in the House of Commons, so much so that in his own circle he was mentioned as a possible Prime Minister. He was a financier of skill and enterprise. He founded the *Financial Times* and afterwards owned the *Sun* newspaper. In the famous case of Regina v. Bottomley and others he was the principal defender. This case, together with the Rex v. Bottomley and others suit, he won, and was generally looked upon as the best lay lawyer in the country. An outspoken and fearless critic he invented the "Business Government" idea. Up to the time of his conviction some six years ago he was a keen sportsman and the owner of several race-horses.

WOMEN ACTING AT TABLE.

GUESTS WHO ATE NOTHING.

Two beautiful young women went into a London restaurant last month as the luncheon guests of a Peer who was giving a birthday party.

"When it was over," writes a correspondent who was one of the guests, "they made the appropriate remarks to our host, and thanked him. But had he noticed that from the beginning of luncheon until the end these young women had not eaten a morsel? Perhaps two mouthfuls, not more."

This is what happened: "In the foyer before luncheon—it was at the Savoy—our host had provided cocktails and sherry. Each young woman accepted a cocktail and offered a smiling toast. Then deceived no doubt by the artless way in which they had concealed their still full glasses behind their still full gloves, our host never noticed that they drank no more.

"Luncheon itself was a superb piece of stagecraft, just as on the stage actors and actresses appear to eat quite substantial meals.

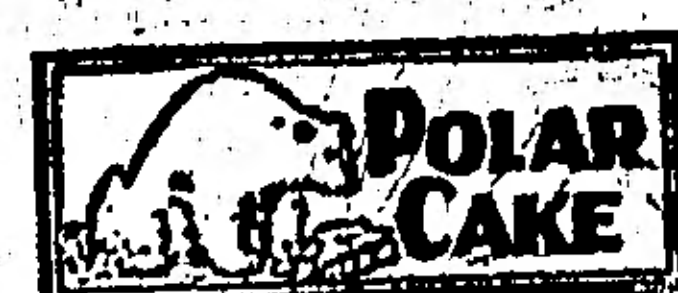
Nimble Conversation.

"They seemed to linger over the cantaloupe but only the slimmest water of it disappeared. Cold consommé and lobster were brought, and disappeared. One said lobster was her favourite dish—but she ate none. Neither ate any quail, though only the closest observer would have noticed, so clever was their simulation of eating and so nimble their conversation.

"As for the sweet—and this was their master-stroke—they openly left it untouched with the confession that their beauty doctors had banned it. And, as with their cocktail, they just slipped their hock and drank half a glass of ice water.

"I wonder if this is often to be found among our women to-day—young women who cheerfully accept luncheon and perhaps dinner engagements and chat vivaciously throughout each course and delicious dish which they never touch."

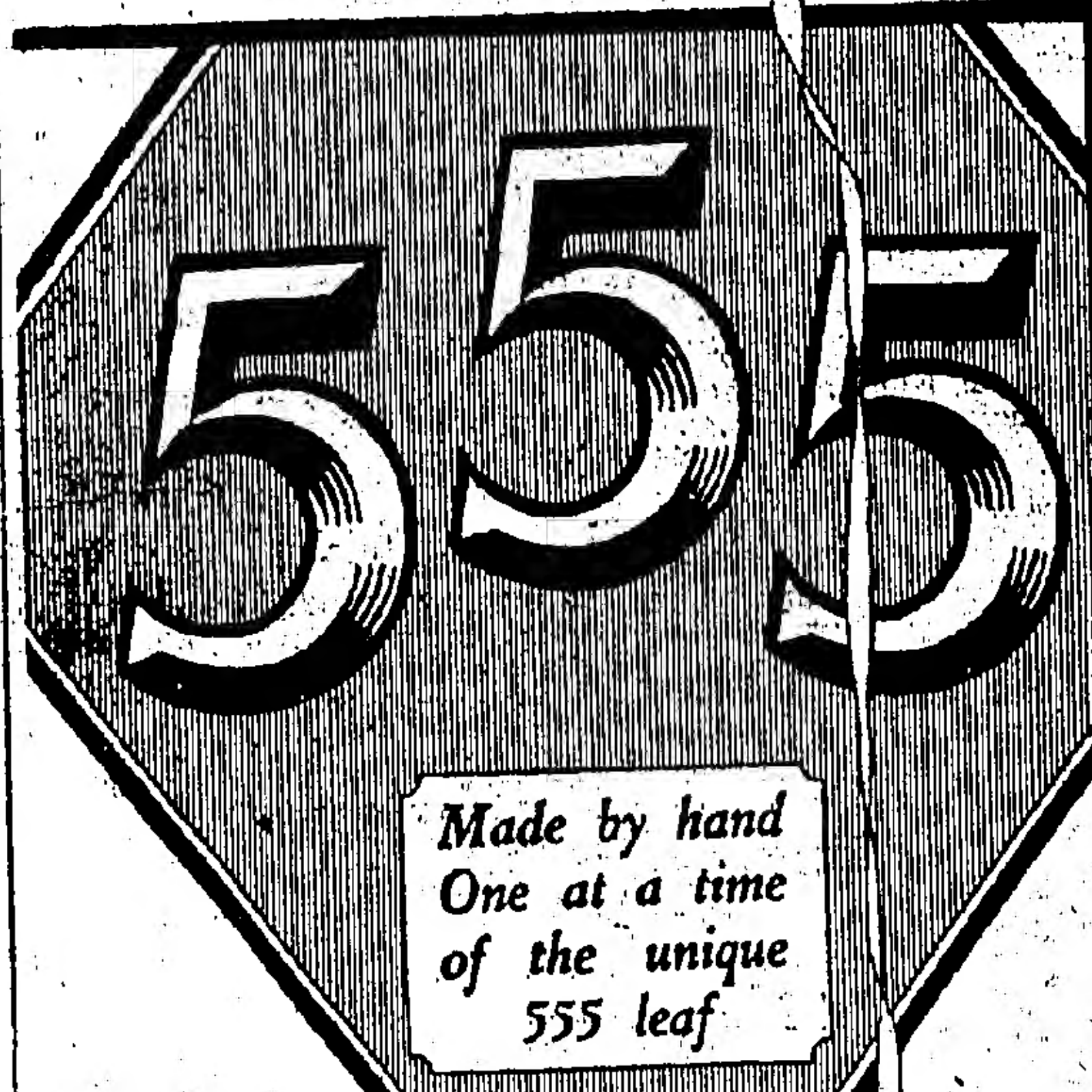
Famous London restaurateurs confessed that they were all familiar with these beautiful automata of the luncheon table.



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AMERICAN CONSULATE THREATENED.

A SHANGHAI REPERCUSSION OF SACCO AFFAIR

QUAINTLY-WORDED BILL.

Three publicity-seeking organizations describing themselves as the Black Flag Union of Korea, the Anarchist Youth Federation of China and the Anarchist Federation of Shanghai, have sent a threatening leaflet to the American Consul-General in which "furious indignation" is expressed over the execution of Sacco and Vanzetti.

The leaflet further says "Attempt to destroy the U.S. Consulate and the capitalist-imperialist institutions of the U.S. in Shanghai." The warning, if such it may be termed, set forth in quaint English, follows:

"To the Proletariat of China and of the World:
"With furious indignation for the savage execution to our Italian comrades, Sacco and Vanzetti, in Boston, Massachusetts State, of U.S.A., which represents the bourgeoisie 'justice' and never receives the protest from the world-wide working class, we on the ground of 'protect of deed' in order to make the authority knowing the revolutionary force and repay the condemnation of our two comrades, attempt to destroy the Consulate and the capitalist-imperialist institutions of U.S.A. in Shanghai."

"Proletariat of China and of the world, arise directly for our martyrs' sake who died only for the true emancipation of our class. Agitate and directly

abolish the authority of the Dollar State."
American Marines were on guard at the Consulate on Friday last as usual. Copies of the leaflet were sent to local newspapers, which indicates the desire for publicity.

Handbills From Roofs.

Municipal police in Shanghai on Thursday were investigating the source of a flood of handbills thrown from the roof gardens of the Wing On and Sincere Company buildings on Nanking Road on Wednesday night. The handbills, printed in English and Chinese, bear pictures of Sacco and Vanzetti and are decidedly anti-American in nature.

It is set forth that the two executed Italian communists were struggling for the benefit of the proletariat and were put to death without good reason. The fact that both men were convicted of a cold-blooded murder apparently does not constitute sufficient reason for their execution in the minds of those responsible for the handbills.

The handbills inform the world that the American Government is imperialistic and therefore the working classes should rise up in world revolution, avenge the death of the two deceased leaders, boycott American goods, destroy all the American organizations in China and beat down the American Government.

These brave words, if the signature at the bottom of the handbill is to be believed, emanate from the "Anarchist Youth Federation of China," whatever that is. Back of this so-called organization, it is believed in some quarters, is a handful of malicious students who dare not fight their battles in the open but fling of communistic and anarchistic literature from the "roofs of buildings and then run away as fast as they can.—Shanghai Times.

HANKOW PROBLEM.

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ly everything essential in the way of healthy food stuffs, and as far as can be judged by present indications it is a condition of affairs which will continue indefinitely, at any rate until the silver embargo is lifted, and there is no sign of this either now or in the near future.

Time For A Move.

This being so it behoves the authorities of the foreign community to take steps to counteract this state of affairs before it becomes too late. The foreign inhabitants are already reduced to the lowest possible number compatible with the working of the port, and further exodus is out of the question, even could it be afforded financially which is by no means the case except with a fortunate but very small minority. It is not up to the community to take independent action—this merely leads to confusion and breeds selfishness. It is distinctly a problem which should be tackled by the authorities, either national or international. We are here by virtue of treaties which were concluded by every Government on behalf of its subjects, otherwise we should not be here. If conditions are such that through no fault of our own we run the serious risk of being starved out, then our authorities are in duty bound to prevent it. Ever since the treaty port in China, has been the object of deep solicitude and regard on the part of our Government. Hankow forms the solitary exception.

There is now an added danger. An unmistakable food riot has occurred in the native city, in which considerable damage was done, and beyond doubt there are many thousands now feeling the pinch of hunger. Raiding empty rice shops will not satisfy these cravings. It is but a step from the native city to the foreign settlement and if rice does not arrive soon in large quantities, it is a moral certainty that people will be driven to the concessions in their search for food. For all practical purposes the force maintained for the protection of British subjects and their property, is as it has been throughout this trying period, totally inadequate. In addition beyond a garrison commander, there is no official of the "Nationalist Government" to whom representations could be made if such were of any value. Every day that passes sees a decrease in business and a large increase in unemployment, without the slightest apparent effort on the part of the "Nationalist" authorities to alleviate matters. Their sole idea of alleviation seems to be further issues of paper money, and demands for silver where none exists outside of their own coffers.

Such a condition of affairs can have but one ending, and steps should be taken now to nullify the effects as far as foreigners are concerned before that end is reached.—Central China Post.

INDIAN DEATH SENTENCES.

TRAIN ROBBERY SEQUEL.

Calcutta, Aug. 29. The biggest revolutionary movement in India in recent years reached a climax to-day, when the chief court of Oudh confirmed the death sentences on four Indians—dacoits—charged with complicity in a train robbery and murder. The accused had been before the courts for two years.

Widespread Organisation. It was through the accused holding up a passenger train and looting it in 1925 that the authorities discovered the existence of a widespread revolutionary organisation in the United and Central Provinces, working in concert with the main organisation in Bengal.

As a result, the Criminal Investigation Department watched suspects and made many arrests and seized arms and ammunition. The accused, with 24 others, made a practice of holding up trains with the object of securing money to finance the revolutionary movement.

MEXICAN MINES TROUBLE.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH WORKERS.

Mexico City, Aug. 29. News of more reassuring developments at the Amparo mines, where there has been considerable trouble with the workers, is contained in telegrams from Guadalajara.

There has been no sabotage or violence, and the pumps are still working.

Parleys are being held between the officials and the labourers.—Reuter's American Service.

THE CANTON PARADE FIASCO.

NOT SO MUCH ENTHUSIASM AS EXPECTED.

GENERAL LI'S RETURN.

(A Special Correspondent.)

Canton, Aug. 28.

Canton to-day is en fete, or so it would appear to the disinterested spectator not knowing the inner workings of the Government behind the apparent holiday makers. All business houses are closed, the only people plying their trade as usual being ricksha coolies. For these it would appear to be a day of extra work—and extra money. The city is gay with bunting and flags, and of the latter, standing out before all others, is the home-made paper one which the Government, in the guise of the various Guilds and Unions, is forcing every householder and storekeeper to fly under penalty of a five dollar fine. Upon this flag large characters are painted stating that the people, as a whole are in favour of doing away with *li* and of the putting into force the new 12½ per cent which the Government hope to impose on the 1st of September. All unions, guilds, storekeepers and business men to-day have to send a representative from each association and business house to walk in the grand procession that is to parade the streets of the city to-day. These include even the different associations of the Customs employees (Chinese), who have been invited by the Superintendent to attend. This is the first time that employees of the Customs have attended any of these meetings or demonstrations, and their apparent willingness to do so to-day is simply a case of *force majeure*. Leaflets are being scattered in the streets urging Customs autonomy and the abolition of the "unequal" treaties.

Later.

It is evident that the parade and call to the people was not the success that the Government had hoped for, only a few thousand people taking part and walking in the procession. It is also stated that many business houses went as far as to disobey the order of displaying the special flag, but it is a recognised fact that since will not be imposed upon these people owing to the fact that there were thousands of flags flying and it was difficult to denote houses without them. Handbills were distributed during the day, this propaganda being the same old story of how China is being wronged by the other nations, Great Britain in particular, and urging the people to stand and fight for the land that is theirs.

Gen. Li's Return.

Canton, Aug. 29. Gen. Lai Tsai-sun returned from Wuchow yesterday. He arrived here on a gun-bunt, having been escorted down the river by a small fleet of battle ships. The recent death of his mother and the political situation has undermined his health and the General is said to be a very sick man. His return here was without pomp or ceremony, he journeyed to his house immediately and from that time until the time of writing there he has remained. He refuses to be interviewed and will not make statements as to his opinion regarding the local situation.

FLIES AWAY.



Mr. Charles Levine, the American millionaire who crossed the Atlantic with Chamberlain, has made a dramatic flight from Paris to London.

COLONY'S WATER.

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Sites Under Consideration.

We understand that the various promising sites on the island have been investigated, and that the Aberdeen valley is held to offer the best prospects for a new reservoir. Briefly, the idea is to construct waterworks at the head of the valley, near the present reservoir belonging to some paper mills that are in operation in the district. The valley above the existing reservoir offers a suitable site with the construction of a dam, but it is, we understand, the Government's intention to preserve the large area of flat land near sea-level—practically the only such area remaining in the island—for future residential expansion.

Alternative schemes which have been considered, we learn, have included the Pokfulam catchment area, where there is a constant flow of water. The existing reservoir, with a capacity of about 70,000,000 gallons, has a catchment area in excess of its size. It has, therefore, been suggested that a second reservoir of about the same size should be constructed at a lower level than the present one, but that would involve the taking over of part of the Dairy Farm property.

Another scheme which has come under consideration, we understand, is the building of a big dam below the present Taitam Tuk lowest-level reservoir. It would involve building partly out into the sea, and the cost would be enormous. However, it would preserve much of the water that is lost whenever excessive rainfall causes Taitam Tuk to spill over its dam. This final impounding would serve for use only in case of actual necessity, as it would all have to be pumped to a higher level.

Possibility of Distillation.

It will be seen that the problem is a great one indeed. Cost, suitability or otherwise of site, the possibility of clashing with vested interests—for instance the supply near Tai Hang is required for industrial purposes—all have to be taken into consideration. So while the authorities are doing their best to ease the situation, they cannot avoid the possibility of a time coming when the existing supply on the island, and any augmentation which will be possible in the course of the next few years from new works, will not meet the demand in a period of actual stress.

The official view is, we also understand, that should it be thrown entirely on its own resources for a time, the island would have to make the most of what it could tap in its limited area, and the question of augmentation from the sea has, therefore, come up for serious consideration.

It is, we learn, the opinion in certain official quarters that a distilling plant, for use only in case of urgent need, would meet the requirements of the occasion. We trust that ordinary means of preserving our water supplies will move adequate, but the distillation of sea water is certainly worthy of at least serious examination, and the fact that it is considered one of the possibilities of the future, proves that the problem of water supply here is receiving the earnest attention of the authorities; which is all to the good.

PRESS CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS.

OFFICIAL NEWS FOR ALL.

Geneva, Aug. 29. The Press Conference has concluded, passing a resolution requesting the League of Nations to make urgent representations to the various Governments for the purpose of establishing a rule that any measure for expulsion or withdrawal of a permit to stay in a country should not be taken against a journalist without the opinion of a committee of journalists.

It also passed a resolution unanimously in favour of abolition of the censorship in peace time, recommending that all official news should be issued without preference to all newspapers and agencies, together with transmission facilities.

The conference adopted a resolution submitted by the representative of the Japanese Rengo Agency, suggesting the calling of periodical conferences with a view to examining the extent to which the resolutions and recommendations of the present conference have been acted upon by the different Governments.—Reuter.

An interesting arrival in port this morning, anchored off Douglas Wharf, was the s.s. Kudat, of the Straits Steamship Company. The vessels of this line are well-known in Malayan waters, but a distinct rarity in the China Sea.

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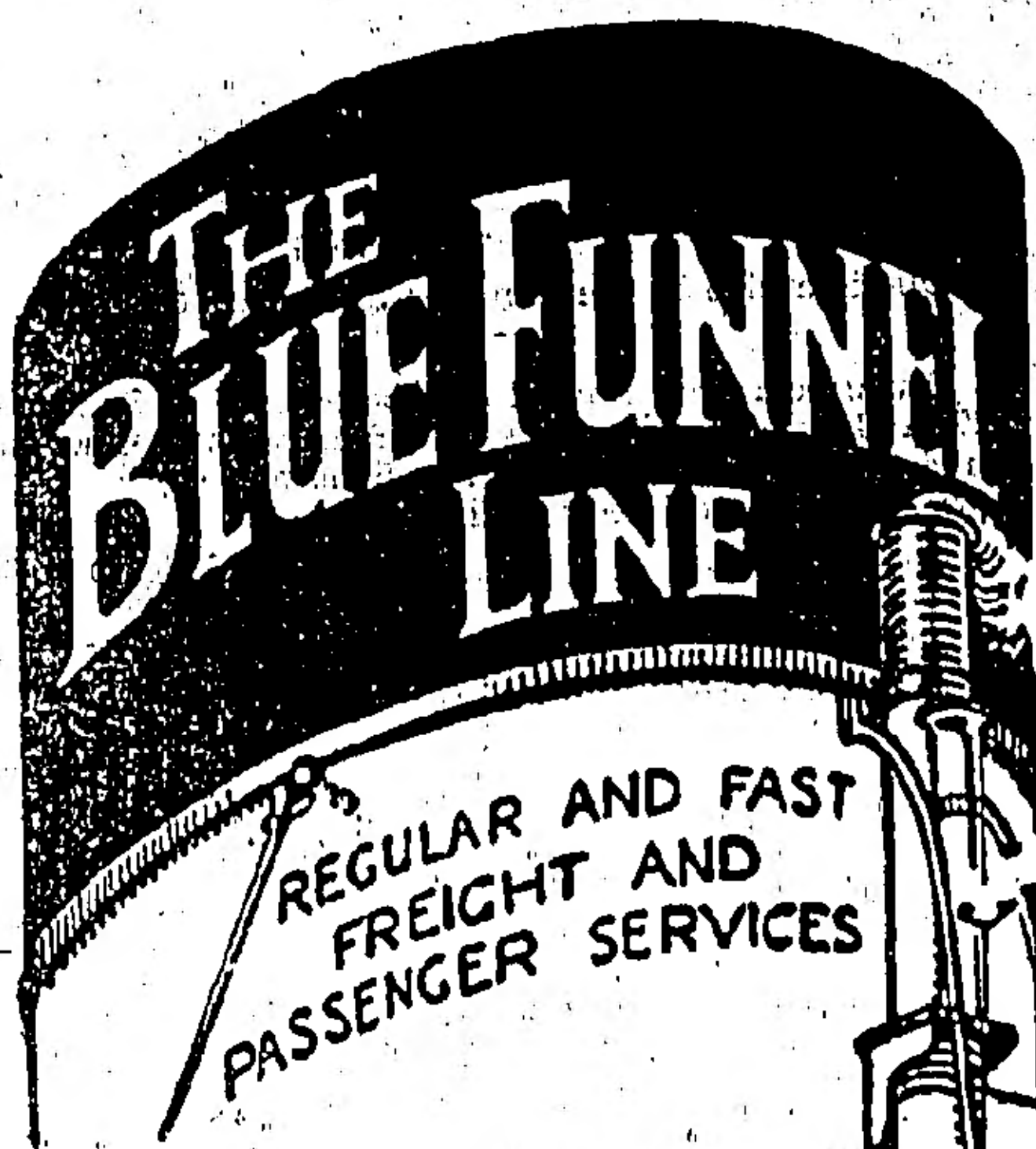
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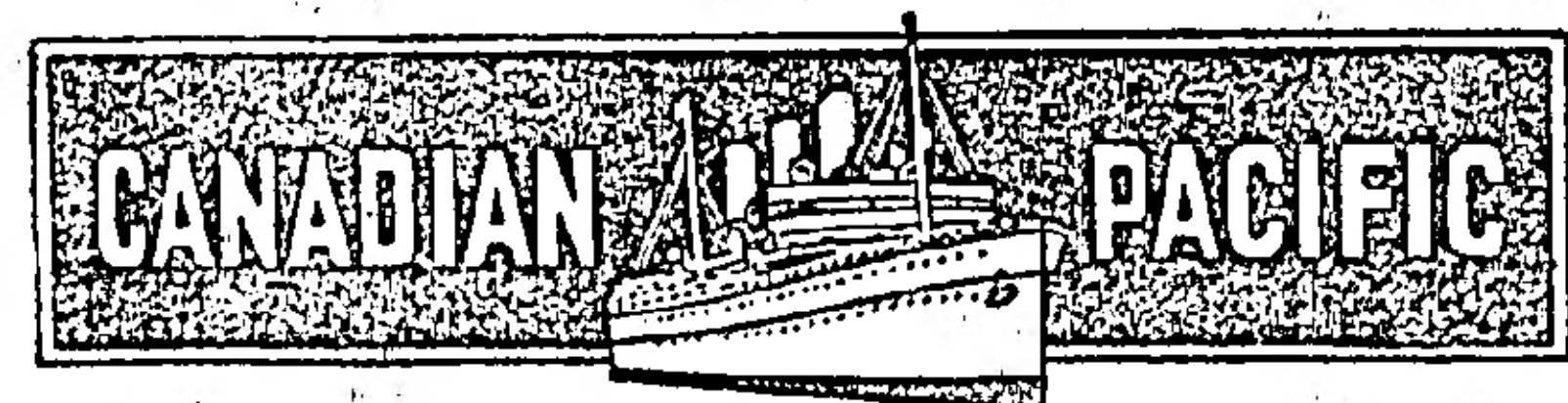
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Over 100 guests were present, among them being the Spanish Ambassador, the Duke de Alba, the Marquis de Andia, the Marquis de Aycinena (Counsellor to the Embassy), the Duke de Miranda (Mayor of Madrid), the Marquis de Sotomayor (President of the Spanish Club), M. Jorge Mitre (proprietor-director of La Nacion, of Buenos Aires), Sir Herbert Walker (General manager, Southern Railway), and representatives of many firms and banks having an Anglo-Spanish connexion.

M. Andres Moreno warmly welcomed the King of Spain in the name of all the Spaniards and Englishmen present.

The King of Spain congratulated the Spanish Club on its re-organization, and said that its development was the result of the united efforts among Spaniards in London. He would talk of Spain, as he always tried to do on such occasions, in an endeavour to bring his listeners a remembrance of Spain. He recalled that this was the 25th anniversary of his accession to the throne of Spain, although he had actually been King from the day of his birth, 41 years ago. The years were beginning to tell, but his interest in all that appertained to the good of his country and countrymen remained unabated. Ideals were the only thing that led nations forward.

He particularly wished to emphasize the facts about the new Ciudad Universitaria (University City), which was being built near Madrid in remembrance of his 25th anniversary as King. The centre would embody not only the Spanish tradition, but all that was best in modern science. In it they would welcome students not only from all parts of the Peninsula, but from all parts of Latin America and the world generally, and there they would be able to learn in their own mother tongue the achievements of their country.

Turning to the financial state of Spain, his Majesty said that the situation was excellent. The floating debt was less than that of any other country, since not only was there no floating debt at all, but there was a balance of 180,000,000 pesetas to credit.

Union of Interests.

The secret of success was union, and he was pleased that the Spanish Club in London realized that so well. From Spain he did not bring them promises, but news of accomplished facts. He had a great hope that Spain would continue to be great and strong in the future as she had been in the past. They must try to better her continually, so that she might always be on a level with the most advanced nations.

His Majesty then continued his speech in English as follows:—

"And now let me add a few words for our British friends. I am particularly glad to see them here to-day sitting among us Spaniards at the same table, for this happy association appears to me as a symbol of the close connexion between our two nations, for which I have striven, as you well know, from my earliest years. It is needless for me to assure you that each time I come to Britain I bring with me the friendliest feelings and aspirations. This could not be otherwise with regard to a land with which I am united by so many ties and memories. Whether it be the inspiration of my own sentiments or a fact, it appears to me that the welcome I receive is heartier every time I come, and thus every visit seems pleasanter to me than the last."

"It is not enough for me to give expression to my aims in regard to close union between our two nations, which, by their geographical situations and their national qualities, can well be said to have been made in order to complete and support one another. I am ever attempting to give some tangible and practical form to these, my good intentions. Thus it is that this year I have exerted all my influence to organize a series of excursions direct from your shores to those of Spain by the trips which will shortly be made by the steamer of La Compania Transatlantica, Reina Maria Cristina, due to arrive to-day at the port of Southampton. I firmly believe that the better the two peoples get to know one another the stronger will be their friendship, and I can solemnly declare here, in the presence of Spaniards and Englishmen, that, so far as Spain is concerned, no friendship could be more loyal or devoted than that of my nation for yours, at all times and places; for sincerity and steadfastness towards

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CHEAPEN MORALITY.

A VICAR'S WARNING.

The future of the morals and manners of young people lies far more with the young women than with the men, declared the Vicar of Leeds, (the Rev. W. Thompson Elliott) in the course of an address in Leeds to young people on "Friends and Lovers."

Looking back upon 25 or 30 years in which one had learned the meaning and value of friendship, he said, he could truly say that nothing had contributed so much to the happiness of life as the joy that came of friendship. But it must be based on deeper things than a mutual attraction for certain sports and amusements, and there must be no passing on of evil to one another.

Especially was this so of the friendship between man and woman, a girl and a young man—what was called "being in love." The joy of this friendship was a richer one, but the responsibilities were greater.

Things have changed very much in this respect during the present generation, said the Vicar. We have practically got right away from that stolid, artificial and restricted convention which governed the lives of our fathers and mothers when they were young, and, indeed, the lives of some of us.

When Things Go Wrong.

The young people have, a far greater opportunity of associating with one another than was the case 25 years ago, and I think, on the whole, it is an advantage. I am quite sure that that greater liberty will in the end develop a greater moral consciousness; but I am quite sure that we are deluding ourselves if we think that we have already developed that higher moral consciousness. This greater liberty is being paid for at the present time by the ruin that is befalling a certain number of people who are not able to use that liberty as, by-and-by, we hope it will be used.

There have been, innumerable tragedies in life simply because people, with no evil intention in the world, have treated lightly, frivolously, and dangerously, the things that are meant to be the most high, holy, and sacred things in the whole experience of men and women. I have come across a very considerable number of cases of one kind or another dealing with this kind of thing, and I believe it would be true to say that in nine cases out of ten where a young woman ruins her life, and a young man proves himself a perditional person in this regard neither of them sets out with the intention of doing evil.

I think there is nothing more pathetic in all the things that go awry in life than that this most precious thing should go awry simply through not regarding it as sufficiently sacred. That is why the type of girl who is merely a flirt does such a lot of harm. She lowers her own self-respect, and lowers the regard in which the whole of her sex is held.

Instinctive Chivalry.

The future of the morals and manners of young people lies far more with the young women than with the men. Let the young women demand that these matters be treated with the regard they should have, and they will be so treated; cheapen them and they will be so treated.

There is an instinctive chivalry in the mind of the uncorrupted young man. If it is not there, it means that he has either been corrupted by persons of his own sex, or has come into contact with young women who have behaved in such a way as to make the whole question of the relationship between men and women cheaper.

The young man's tendency is to idealise, and unless there is something which seems too holy and high to be touched, it will never be worth while lifting it down from the pedestal.

their friends are traits in Spaniards and Englishmen.

"The value I attribute to our mutual acquaintance by means of travel—that is to say, first-hand knowledge of one another's country—is such that I intend to give an example to all by returning to Spain on board the Reina Maria Cristina, which bears a name very dear to me, on the first of her trips to Santander. May this act of mine serve as an outward proof of my hearty wish to encourage and favour all that may contribute to the union of the two peoples. In this respect I am happy to mention here with praise and gratitude the willing and efficient co-operation this project has found in England, particularly on the part of the Southern Railway Company, so well represented here this afternoon. Such mutual understanding and collaboration is the right road to a true and enduring friendship."

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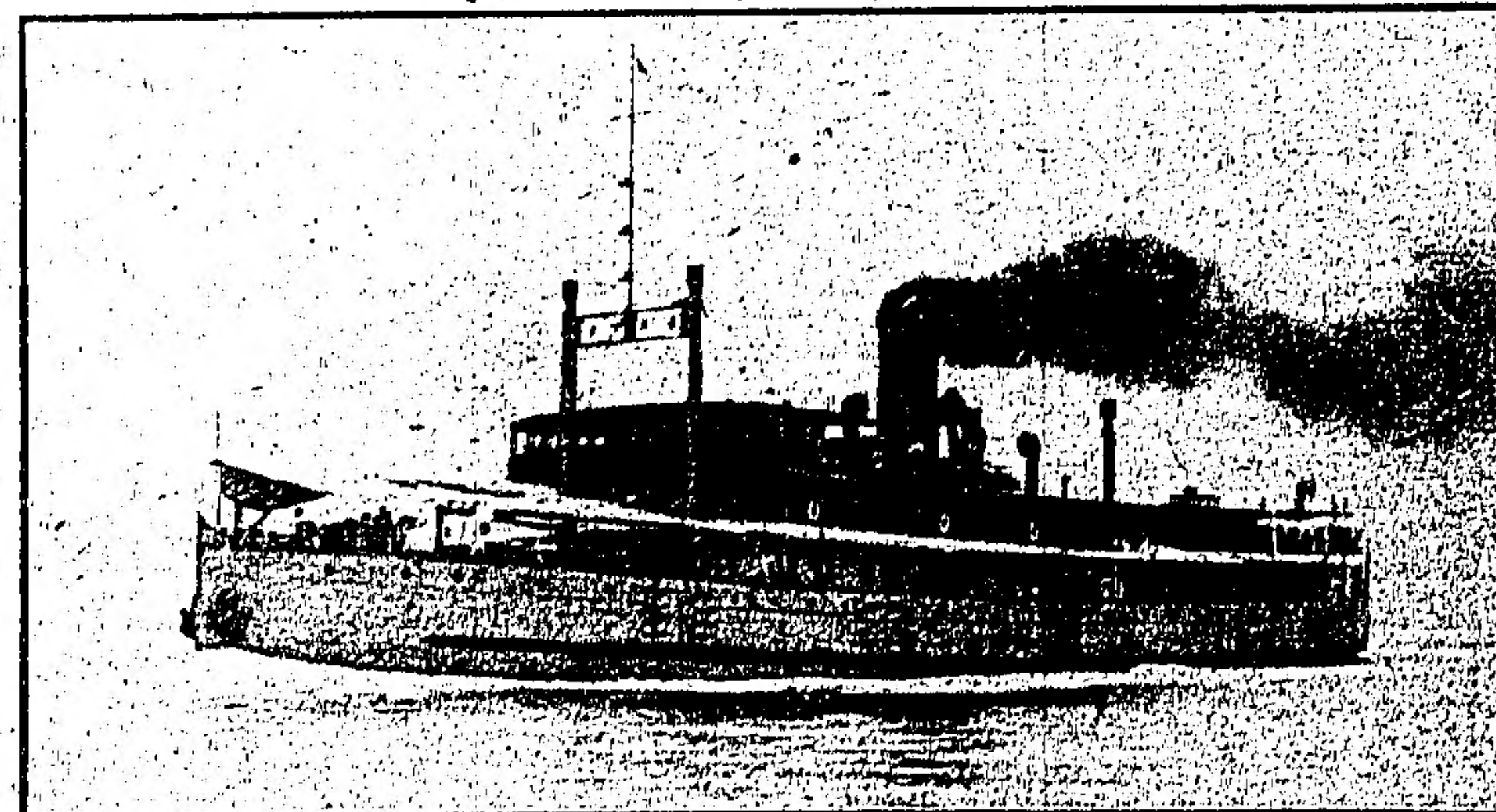
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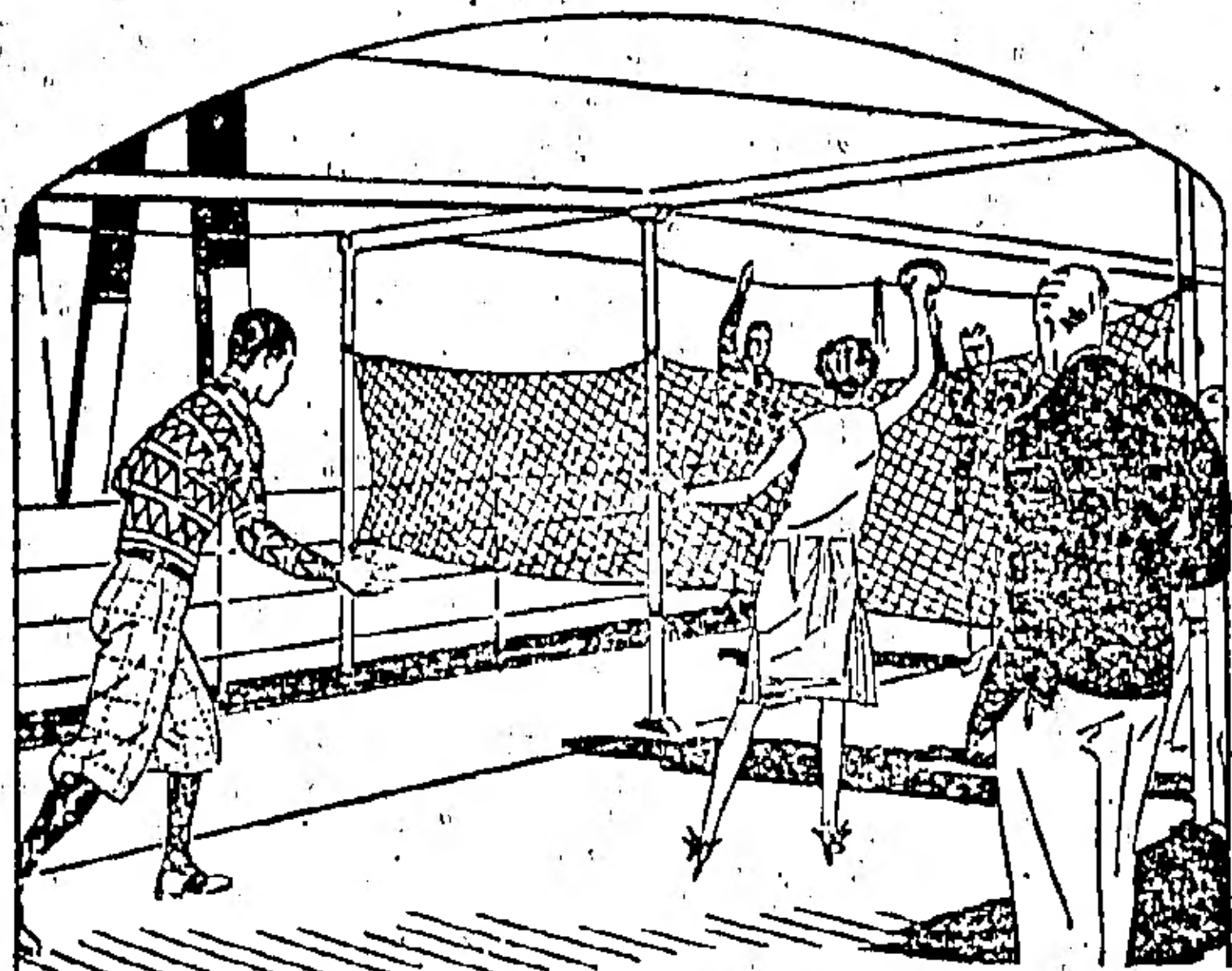


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SHAREBROKER'S CLAIM.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON'S PROCEEDINGS.

The Acting Chief Justice, Mr. J. R. Wood, continued the hearing in the case in which Mr. M. A. Razack, a sharebroker of No. 10 Lee House Street, claimed a sum of \$33,818.98 from Mr. F. N. Cooper, a merchant of 1B, D'Aguiar Street, Hongkong.

After the tiffin adjournment, plaintiff went into the box and bore out the circumstances described by his counsel.

Referring to the events of June 20, 1925, plaintiff said that Cooper went to his office and instructed him to buy 2,000 Trams at \$37. That was slightly below the market rate but witness managed to obtain the shares from the late Mr. I. S. Perry, who attached certain conditions to the sale.

Witness returned to his office and telephoned Mr. Cooper, who acknowledged the deal and said, "I already owe you a very large sum of money," to which witness replied "It is alright, tell me what you can pay." He made the necessary contracts and sent them on to Mr. Cooper.

The next day, Sunday, June 21, the tram strike took place and on Monday at 10.30 a.m. in consequence of the tram strike and the temporary closing of certain Chinese banks, the Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association and the Hongkong Stock Exchange decided to postpone the June Settlement indefinitely.

His Lordship: Was that publicly announced?

Mr. Razack: A notice was put up at the Stock Exchange and at the Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association, which were both in Ice House Street.

Contracts Unsigned.

After the decision to postpone the Settlement witness said that Mr. Cooper returned the contracts unsigned. Witness took the contracts and went to see the defendant. He found the defendant in the latter's office and said: "You must sign these contracts. I bought the shares and I must make good to my Sellers." Witness said that Cooper's reply to that was "The Settlement is postponed, what is the good of the contracts?" Witness explained that the contract was the result of orders received on June 20. While they were discussing the matter someone entered Mr. Cooper's office and called him away, whereupon witness left the office, leaving the contracts behind.

Mr. Alabaster: Did you ever get the two contracts back?—No. Later that afternoon you got a chit from defendant?—Yes.

Witness said that he took the letter from Cooper to see his solicitor, Mr. A. el Arculli, and instructed the latter to write to Mr. Cooper.

Mr. Alabaster: The next day, did you also instruct Mr. Arculli to write in regard to the balance due you against April Settlement?—Yes.

The April Settlement account showed \$12,952.50 due you, against which you received \$5,000 from defendant?—Yes. I told my brother to make up a new account and I think I told him to deduct brokerage on "forced sales."

July 23 was the day finally fixed by the Government for the June Settlement?—Yes.

Bluff.

On that day did you see Cooper?—About noon time he came to my office with a Mr. Rapp and asked me for a cheque. I asked him what cheque he was referring to, and he said "Trams." I told him "I have bought those Trams in for you and it is you who have to give me a cheque." I told him further that I had no time to waste with him and asked him to go and see Mr. Arculli, who had my instructions and authority to deal with him. Mr. Perry was present at that time. When he was about to leave I challenged him by saying, "You are bluffing me, you have no shares to deliver." He walked out without producing any shares.

Mr. Alabaster: So that if D'Almada and Mason state that defendant presented the shares for delivery, there is no truth in it?—There is no truth.

Asked who was present during the last scene with Cooper, witness said, Mr. Perry, Mr. Loureiro (who are both dead), Mr. Ho, a Chinese assistant, his brother and his son, who both work in the firm.

In rising to cross-examine, Mr. Jenkin informed his Lordship, that he would like to deal with the claims one by one. Addressing the defendant he said:—"You have heard your learned counsel opening your case. Do you recollect him saying this: 'After June 20, the relations were strained, and Mr. Razack asked Mr. Arculli to write for this balance which was still due on the April settlement, but forgot, in giving the figures, to charge brokerage and stamp, and asked only for

ST. PATRICK'S CLUB.

RE-OPENING CELEBRATED BY CONCERT.

A bright show and one which was packed with solid musical talent was held at St. Patrick's Club last evening to mark the re-opening of the Club. The unsettled weather affected the attendance which was very sparse, but those who went there was amply rewarded by a performance which was striking in some respects.

The concert opened with a piano duet as an overture, in which Prof. E. Gualdi and Maestro Riganti provided the rare sight of two finished artists combining perfectly to the entire enjoyment of a small but highly appreciative audience. On the vocal side, Mrs. Sangers was a welcome contributor, being warmly applauded in a very sweet rendition of Kahn's Ave Maria, with Fr. Riganti and Mr. Paul Braga accompanying on the piano and violin respectively. She gave an encore and in the second half of the programme sang "Daddy Boy" (V. Bellini) and "The Pirate" (V. Bellini). Messrs. E.G. D'Aquino and G. D'Aquino are promising singers with a penchant for Italian songs, in which they did remarkably well.

Mr. D'Almada also rendered two songs, and later executed with grace a Hungarian dance. Mr. Wilmott, Mr. B. A. Kingston and Mr. Hawkins were other singers whose assistance contributed to the great success of the concert. Messrs. Porter and Hughes gave comic relief with their recitation of the disposal of a cat's body, while in a new portrayal of the hen-pocking wife and the much harassed husband Messrs. Watts and Kingston were really funny. This sketch was all too short.

It is announced that last night's was the first of a series of monthly concerts to be held at the Club. Other socials will take the form of whist-drives for members and friends. Information as to the Club's future activities will be supplied by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. R. Wilkinson.

\$7,522.50.—Do you recollect that being said?

Witness: I was going to call his attention to a slight mistake in that.

Mr. Jenkin: That does not tally with your own evidence? Witness: No.

Correct Version.

Mr. Jenkin: Let us take your evidence with regard to the same thing. What you said just now when asked to explain how you arrived at \$7,422.50 was this, that to the best of your recollection you told your brother to waive brokerage. Is that the correct version?

Mr. Razack: That is the correct version. I am certain about it. I was rather excited and I told my brother to give me this April account as I meant to sue him on it. I told my brother to waive the brokerage.

Mr. Jenkin: Then it is not a matter of best of recollection. The difference in the figures arose because you told your brother to waive the brokerage?—Yes.

You say that the brokerage waived is \$425, and there is a further \$5 you can't account for?—Yes.

The sales we are talking about concern 700 Lands and 100 Docks?—Yes.

What was the brokerage on the Lands?—\$350.

How do you justify that brokerage, is there a schedule?—Yes. The scale is the same as the Stock Exchange charges.

Mr. Jenkin handed witness the printed charges of the Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association and asked witness whether 50 cents brokerage was the charge on shares whose market value was over \$100, and less than \$150. Witness replied that was so.

His Lordship interrupted and asked what was the par value of Land shares.

Witness: \$25, my Lord.

Mr. Alabaster to his Lordship: Brokerage is charged on the market price.

His Lordship smiled and said something to the effect that he had to be instructed on that too.

Wrong Charge.

Mr. Jenkin continuing his cross-examination pointed out that if 50 cents was charged on the Lands sold to Cooper it was wrong, because the brokerage allowed by the schedule was 35 cents on shares sold at \$34.

Witness said that was correct and that a clerical error must have taken place.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you it is all imagination on your part. You started off by saying that on your specific instructions brokerage was waived, and you said the rate was 50 cents per share. Now you say a mistake had been made. You would know what brokerage is on any shares at once.

Witness: I don't know, sometimes it gets out of my head.

Mr. Jenkin: Mr. Cooper filed his affidavit in this case two

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years' ago setting out fully what his case was.

Witness: Yes, his ideas of it. Mr. Jenkin: He stated that there was an agreement whereby you should accept \$7,522. That was two years ago and you have had two years to think out how to account for that difference of \$435.

Witness: I have been away most of the time.

Mr. Jenkin: I know you have been away. I do not say you have been thinking of it every moment of that time. You told us just now that you told your brother to waive the brokerage. Is your brother a broker or a partner?—No, he was in charge of my books.

Mr. Jenkin pointed out that a mistake had also been made in regard to the brokerage chargeable on the Docks. The correct rate should have been 50 cents, whereas 75 cents was charged. Witness said that he was liable to make a mistake like that. Evidently there was some mistake.

Mr. Jenkin: Is your brother alive?—He is away just now.

Is there no record in your books about this waiving?—None whatever.

Not a Bookkeeper.

Counsel then closely examined Mr. Razack in regard to the books showing transactions with Mr. Cooper. Witness had to make many searches through a number of books which he had produced and sometimes he had to leave the witness box to get the required record. At one stage witness explained "that he was not a bookkeeper," and therefore could not lay his hands readily on all the accounts.

His Lordship: Are you still a member of the Association?

Witness: Yes.

His Lordship: Who keeps your books now?—I do it myself, there is very little to do.

Since when have you kept your own books?—Since my return from Shanghai recently.

Witness, in answer to Mr. Jenkin regarding certain entries, produced a "Loan and Redemption book" and a "Record of bad and doubtful debts."

Before the case adjourned, Mr. Jenkin asked witness if he had any objection if counsel had custody of the above two books for the night.

Witness replied that personally he was welcome to it.

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SHAUKIWAN MURDER
TRIAL.

(Continued from Page 1.)

About half way down this path a Chinese detective, Chung Hoi, at about 2 a.m. on Sunday morning, August 7, found two rolls of banknotes. There was one roll containing \$15 in \$5 notes and another containing \$30 in \$10 notes and he also found a single \$1 note, totalling \$46 altogether. On some of these notes there were blood stains.

There will be evidence to show that Mrs. Mackay on the previous day had received payment of \$38.50 in \$10, \$5 and \$1 notes, and that on August 1, just a few days previously, Mr. Mackay had given her \$250 housekeeping money. That payment was made by a note of \$100, one of \$50 and \$75 in \$5 notes. Since Mrs. Mackay's death the \$50 had been found in a drawer.

When she left home to go to Shauiwan that afternoon she was seen to take notes out of her drawer. It will be seen from the evidence that she had all the denominations of the notes found.

A Credit Coupon.

A little later, about twenty yards down the path, the same Chinese detective found a five cent credit coupon of the Wing On Company. Dr. Minett will say that this coupon had traces of human blood on it. Now, it will be proved that that credit coupon must have been issued by the Wing On Company either on the 6th or 6th of August. It will also be proved that Mrs. Mackay had actually been in the Wing On Company on the 5th in the evening and that she had bought goods to the value of \$1.30 and that she had been given this credit coupon of 5 cents. A representative of the Company will give evidence of that. He will be able to identify her from a photograph and, it might be added, that the Company does not know her by name.

About another fifteen yards further down the path, Inspector Lane found in the grass on the side of the road half a Hongkong \$1 note. This is of great importance, in view of subsequent discoveries. It will be proved by a representative of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation that it is a forgery and Dr. Minett will say that there were blood stains on the note.

It will be proved that Mrs. Mackay was given two forged \$1 notes by a friend. This friend will say that sometime ago he had occasion to pay Mrs. Mackay \$2 for some music she had bought and he paid her with two forged notes. He did this by way of a joke. He asked for them later, but Mrs. Mackay took a fancy to them and asked if she might be allowed to keep them and to this the friend agreed. She kept the two forged notes and it will also be proved that she was seen by a witness, who will be put in the box, cutting the notes into two with a pair of scissors, presumably to prevent hereself using it in mistake.

With regard to the identification of the men, Walter Eckart cannot identify the men but I think he can give certain information as to their clothing, height and other particulars.

Prisoners' Blood Stains.

From the information that the police had, it seemed likely that the men who were being searched for either lived in Shauiwan or at least knew Shauiwan East. The path I was speaking about leads into a street in Shauiwan called Kam Wah Street. That path is a very lonely path and is very little used. It was at a house (No. 21) in the ground floor that the defendants were arrested at about 7 p.m. on the 7th—the day after the murder. They had each bloodstains on their clothes. Dr. Minett will say that the stains were those of human blood.

With regard to what each man had in his possession, when searched each had \$3 in one dollar bills and fifty cents in silver. In addition the second defendant had 22 cents more. I mention this to show that they each had approximately the same amount. One theory is that they had split the booty and that they had been surprised by hearing Walter Eckart run down the motor road, and, possibly through fright, had discarded their money on the path. Another is that in running away they had dropped the notes found by the police.

I may also mention that one of the 10 cents pieces had blood marks on it and there was found on the first defendant what is probably the most important of all, the supplementary half of the forged \$1 note. This half also had blood stains on it.

The second defendant had a curious cut on his right hand. That, of course, might have caused some of the blood stains, but the position of that wound is very significant because it is just such a wound as would be made by a man striking with a small knife, if say, for instance, that knife struck a rib and his hand came down to the blade, of the knife.

BEER DETAINED AT
SHANGHAI.

MESSRS. GRANDE, PRICE SEEK
DELIVERY.

NEW TAXES INVOLVED.

"The Commissioner of Customs is the person really interested in this action," said Mr. Lipsom Ward to His Honour, Judge Peter Grain, in H. M. Supreme Court at Shanghai, on Wednesday, "and one would have thought that if he had any doubt that the plaintiffs were not entitled to judgment he would have taken the trouble to come and argue the case. He has not chosen to do so and it is not any part of the defendant's duty to perform the task which is his."

The action was brought following the refusal of the Commissioner of Customs at Shanghai to issue the necessary permit for clearance of goods until the new Stamp Tax imposed by the Nanking Ministry of Finance had been paid and a receipt for the same tendered to the Customs.

The Nanking Ministry of Finance had announced a luxury tax scale on all imports into Shanghai but prior to this date, and in order to collect duties on goods arriving in Shanghai before that date, a Stamp Tax of 30 per cent was made effective on and after August 11. Importers of cargo which arrived in Shanghai after August 11 refused to pay the illegal Stamp Tax and took the matter up with their respective Consulates. As a result it was decided to commence legal proceedings to test the validity of the taxes, and the right of certain wharves to hold cargo against the production of the release permit issued by the Commissioner of Customs.

Mr. M. Reader Harris appeared for the plaintiff company, Messrs. Grande, Price Ltd., and the defendant company, the Ocean Steamship Co., Ltd., was represented by Mr. Lipsom Ward.

Facts of Case.

The facts of the case are that on August 16 a cargo of 75 cases of Tennant's lager beer arrived by the s.s. Philoctetes belonging to the defendant company. The plaintiffs obtained a duty memo which called for payment to the Chinese Maritime Customs of the sum of Hk. Tls. 21,150 duty and wharf and conservancy fees of Shanghai Tls. 1,058. On August 18 Mr. Grande accompanied by Mr. Stockley, British Vice-Consul, proceeded to the Customs Bank located in the Bank of China building and tendered the sum of Shanghai Tls. 48,32 the equivalent of twice the duty called for on the duty memo, plus the wharf and conservancy dues. The representative of the Customs Bank refused to issue a receipt affix a chop or accept the money unless a further 30 per cent duty was paid. The money was accordingly paid into the British Consulate General and the plaintiff held a receipt for it.

The following day Mr. Grande accompanied by Mr. Stockley went to the Customs House and saw the Commissioner of Customs. Mr. Stockley handed to the Commissioner a letter from the British Consul General at Shanghai which stated, among other things, that the plaintiffs "were entitled to the release of the cargo in question." Mr. Grande then asked the Commissioner for a permit for release of the cargo but this was refused, the Commissioner stating that he could only release the cargo upon production of the bank receipt.

Mr. Reader Harris as legal representative for the plaintiff then made formal application to Mr. Lipsom Ward, representing the defendant company, for release of the cargo and tendered the bill of lading and the certificate to show that the legal dues had been tendered.

Mr. Reader Harris said that it was admitted that the cargo was the property of the plaintiffs and was in the possession of the defendants.

Mr. Reader Harris—I submit that unless the defendants show some good reason why I am not entitled to ask for my property, I am entitled to judgment for its recovery.

Judgment was reserved.

The attack took place when it was not quite dark but it was dark enough to make the identification of the two defendants difficult. Evidence will be brought to show that the two men were always seen together in Shauiwan for the last two months.

The case for the Crown is that these men, after they had passed Mrs. Mackay and Walter Eckart, determined to go back and rob them. They did go back and they murdered Mrs. Mackay and the Crown case is that the motive was robbery.

Mr. Lindsell: They had a common purpose to rob and in carrying out their purpose, if one of them murdered her or inflicted such injuries as to cause her death, which is murder, then the other is equally guilty.

Mr. Whyte-Smith: That is so your Worship.

The case is proceeding.

HOSTILITIES NEAR
SHANGHAI.

THE POSSIBILITIES
EXAMINED.

The possibility of hostilities occurring near Shanghai have assumed more definite shape because of the capture of Tungchow, says last Friday's Shanghai Times. That Marshal Sun Chuan-fang is determined to fight for possession of Shanghai in the event of all other means of obtaining control failing, is borne out by this latest development which points to an attempt by the Northern commander to strike at a vulnerable point in the Nationalist defence of Shanghai, Liuhoo. Although Liuhoo is some 30-odd miles lower down the stream than Tungchow, it appears to be the intention of Marshal Sun to make a bid for possession of it. It is the Yangtze terminus of a very important artery of communication with Shanghai.

For this reason the Nationalists are sending a large force to Liuhoo for the purpose of defending the town against invasion by the Northern force. More than 9,000 soldiers of the 26th Army travelled on foot and by a limited number of omnibuses and motor lorries to Liuhoo on Wednesday last. They formed part of the five trainloads which retreated from Changchow to Hangchow, and when the news of the occupation of Tungchow by the Northern army became known to the local military authorities, this portion of the 26th Army was diverted immediately to Liuhoo.

Drive On Shanghai.

Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's 11th Division at present holds Tungchow, sometimes called "Nantungchow." General Cheng Chun-ye is in command. The force reached Tungchow after a march of several days down the east bank of the Grand Canal from Shantung. When the time comes for Marshal Sun to order the crossing of the Yangtze in an effort to land on the south bank and commence the drive upon Shanghai, it is believed that he will use Tsungming Island, in the middle of the Yangtze and half way between Tungchow and Liuhoo, as an intermediary landing place.

This effort is not expected to be made, however, until large reinforcements, including artillery, supplement the force now at Tungchow.

Sun's Difficulty.

Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's greatest difficulty at the present time, however, is not in finding the courage or the opportunity for a crossing. It consists in finding adequate transport for the large force which he commands, and which will be very necessary in the event of his having to fight his way to the south bank, from whichever point he chooses to take off. At the present time he is utilising every means at his command to secure junks, steam launches and every other class of boat for this purpose and is reported also to be building large rafts which can be towed across by the launches.

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TESTIMONY.

London, Aug. 29.

An official enquiry has been held into the railway disaster near Sevenoaks, when the train from London to Deal was derailed recently, with a large loss of life.

The evidence disclosed that a pair of the wheels of the engine left the rails 500 yards before the crash. The injured driver testified that the engine was one of the new River type, which had a tendency to roll when travelling at over 50 miles an hour.—Reuter.

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1. Because he called a Parliament to which for the first time some of the towns sent representatives. 2. Henry II. Plantagenet, or Grey Friars; Dominicans, or Black Friars; Carmelites, or White Friars; Austin Friars (also black). 3. Daughter of the King of Norway. She succeeded as Queen of Scotland on the death of her grandfather in 1286. She was to have married Edward II. son, but she died on the voyage to Scotland. 4. Edward (afterwards Edward II.), son of Edward I. He was born at Carnarvon, and given to the Welsh as his price to please them after Edward I. had conquered them. 5. Bannockburn; Robert Bruce; Edward II. 6. Grey Friars; Friars (1256). 7. Arincourt (1416). The long-bow. 8. The Black Death (1349), which killed off a third of the population, and the Plague of London (1665). 9. Richard III. at Smithfield, on the death of Wat Tyler, in the Peasants' Revolt of 1381. 10. Wyllie is famous for his attack on Papal claims, and the wealth of the Church, and for his translation of the Bible. Lollards. 11. Because the Yorkists wore the white rose, and the Lancastrians, according to tradition, the red rose. 12. Henry VII. 1185. Lord Stanley, Bosworth Field. Richard III. 12. One of the great wheels of 1776, another battery, and the third lay follow, and so on in rotation.

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